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ON NIGHT FEBRAURY TWENTYSIX, CONFIDENTIAL
INFORMANT ADVISED BELA GOLD CONTACTED HOME FROM NEW HAMPSHIRE,
INDICATING HE AND SONIA WOULD BE HOME FOLLOWING NIGHT.
STATED THEY WERE THEN STAYING ~~IN~~ HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT. ON
MARCH TWENTYSEVEN, WOODROW BORAH AND ~~REAP~~ TERRY SIROCCO CONTACTED
HALPERIN TO REPORT ONE B. REAP HAD CALLED INDICATING HE WAS PHONING
FOR DREW PEARSON AND INQUIRING CONCERNING HALPERINS BACKGROUND.
TERRY INDICATED SHE TOLD HIM HALPERIN HAD NOT RESIGNED BUT IS ON
SICK LEAVE, HAS ULCERS AND DOCTOR RECOMMENDED REST. LATER AFTERNOON
SAME DATE, TERRY CONTACTED ~~REAP~~ HALPERIN INDICATING REAP
IS MEMBER SPECIAL ASSISTANCE FOR PRESS RELATIONS STATE DEPARTMENT,
ASSIGNED TO OBTAIN BIOGRAPHY AND HE WAS KIDDING ABOUT OTHER BUSIN
STILL LATER, BORAH CONTACTED HALPERIN AGAIN STATING IT SEEMS

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[REDACTED] ON MORNING MARCH TWENTYSEVEN, INFORMANT ADVISED MRS. ELIZABETH MOOS, MOTHER ANNE REMINGTON, CONTACTED MRS. ADAMS [REDACTED] ARRANGING TO MEET LATTER AT ADAMS HOME, LANGLEY COURT, AND THEN GO TO [REDACTED] WILSON TEACHERS COLLEGE. MOOS STATED SHE HAD TO [REDACTED] STOP BY EMBASSY TO GET SOME MATERIAL. AT NINE TWENTYFOUR AM, INDIVIDUAL BELIEVED MRS. MOS [REDACTED] OBSERVED ALIGHTING FROM AMERICAN CAN AND ENTERED EMBASSY CHANCERY AFTER ATTEMPTING ENTER MAIN ENTRANCE. SHORTLY THERAFTER DEPARTED IN DIAMOND TAXICAB, DRIVER OF WHICH ADVISES HE DROVE THIS WOMAN [REDACTED] TO THREE NINE [REDACTED] ONE ONE LANGLEY COURT, COURY, [REDACTED] NORTHWEST, WHICH IS RESIDENCE [REDACTED] J. WESLEY ADAMS, JR., LISTED NINETEEN FORTYTHREE CITY DIRECTORY AS DIVISION ASSISTANT, STATE DEPARTMENT. IN CONNECTION ABOVE, [REDACTED] REFERENCE MADE TO NEW YORK LETTER TO DIRECTOR IN CASE [REDACTED] ENTITLED NATIONAL COUNCIL OF AMERICAN SOVIET FRIENDSHIP, INC., IS C, CONCERNING ELIZABETH [REDACTED] MOOS (S)
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Director, FBI

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CONFIDENTIAL**Office Memorandum** UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: April 1, 1946

FROM : D. M. Ladd

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BY 3042/AR/MLSUBJECT: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al. **ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED EXCEPT WHERE SHOWN OTHERWISE**

According to information received from confidential technical sources as reflected in the MI summary dated March 23, 1946, the following conversation transpired between Abraham George Silverman, Harry White, Sarah Silverman and Lieutenant Colonel Bernard Bernstein on that date:

At 9:32 a.m., Harry White contacted Abraham George Silverman, also a subject in this case, and Silverman told White that he would come over to White's residence at about 11:00 a.m. the following day in order to "play some ball or if no one is around to just drive around."

At 3:45 p.m. on the same date, Silverman contacted his wife, Sarah, and told her that he had to see Jean Monet, a representative of the French, that afternoon and he told her he would be home at about five o'clock. Silverman said that he had talked to Harry White and they had decided to get together the following morning.

At 12:18 p.m., on Sunday, March 24, 1946, Lieutenant Colonel Bernard Bernstein contacted Mrs. Anne White, the wife of Harry White and told her he desired to speak to Harry and she said that she knew where he was but that he could not be reached as he was out of doors. She said she expected him to return at about 2:00 p.m.

At 8:40 p.m., on Sunday, March 24, 1946, while Mrs. Sarah Silverman, wife of Abraham Silverman, was discussing matters with a woman named Marjorie Simon, Mrs. Silverman said that her husband had spent an hour with Harry White on that morning; that Harry "met him in a field, rode around and walked and then Harry brought him home." She said that her husband had told her that he had not visited the Whites' residence. She said that Harry White was exceptionally disappointed about not getting the job at Savannah, referring to the International Monetary Conference. Mrs. Silverman said that Harry White did get a job for two years at \$25,000. She said that the Whites now want to sell their home and move into an apartment.

It should be recalled that Abraham Silverman is presently employed by the French Supply Council which is a part of the French Government and that his visit with Harry White under peculiar circumstances, in all probability had something to do with the French loan since Jean Monet of France is interested in obtaining the loan and he had been in contact with Silverman and had an appointment to see Harry White at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday subsequent to Silverman's visit with White.

ACTION: None. The above data are for your information and should you so desire, a summary of the above information will be made available to the Attorney General and the Secretary of the Treasury. The technical logs covering the above conversations are attached hereto.

Attachments

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New York 7, New York

IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO
FILE NO. 65-14603

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March 26, 1946

Director, FBI

Re: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was., et
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Re: URSULA WASSERMAN

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Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Egan
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

Dear Sir:

In connection with the investigation of URSULA WASSERMAN it has been ascertained that she gave as her destination Buenos Aires, Argentina, and the specific address given by her in Buenos Aires was 1906 Melian Street, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

This information was recently developed, and it is thought possible that it might be of value in ascertaining her activities in Argentina.

Very truly yours,

E. E. Conroy
E. E. CONROY
SAC

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c.c. Washington Field

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NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS, ET AL, ESPIONAGE R. ON THIS DATE

CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED

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(S) ON THE MORNING OF SATURDAY, MARCH TWENTYTHREE, CONFIDENTIAL
SOURCE ADVISED ONE MRS. GOLDMAN CONTACTED ROSE [REDACTED] GREGG INDICATED
SHE WISHED TO SPEAK WITH JOE GREGG. MRS. GREGG ADVISED SHE EXPECTED
JOE THE PREVIOUS EVENING, BUT HE HAD NOT RETURNED FROM NEW YORK. AT
FOUR FIFTYFIVE PM. ON [REDACTED] MARCH TWENTYFOUR, SAME SOURCE ADVISED MRS.
GOLDMAN CONTACTED JOSEPH GREGG ADVISING THAT HIS CHECK WAS HELD UP BY
MANPOWER NAMED [REDACTED] MUNIOFF [REDACTED] VERY PHONETIC. ABOVE INDICATES GREGG
PROBABLY RETURNED FROM NEW YORK SATURDAY EVENING, TIME UNKNOWN.

AFTERNOON, MARCH TWENTYTWO, CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED JENNIE MILLER

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[REDACTED] ON AFTERNOON, MARCH
TWENTYONE, CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED JANET ~~WEAVER~~ CONTACTED BEATTIE
MAGDOFF ADVISING ~~THAT~~ TWO HUNDRED FIFTY REPRESENTATIVES OF FIFTYNINE
NATIONAL WOMENS ORGANIZATION WERE REPRESENTED AT MEETING. JANET STATED
HELEN GAHAGAN ~~DOUGLAS~~ DOUGLAS WAS VERY GOOD, AND THEY SAW SENATOR
BYRD AND HOWARD SMITH. SHE STATED THE SENATE BILL ~~WAS~~ WOULD PROBABLY
BE VOTED OUT TUESDAY, POSSIBLY REFERRING BILL ON ATOMIC ENERGY. ~~THAT~~
JANET SAID THEY WANT SHOWER OF TELEGRAMS SENT TO PRESIDENT ARGUING
AGAINST VANDENBERG AMENDMENT, ALSO TELEGRAMS TO SENATOR MCMAHON RE -
QUESTING HEARINGS BE REOPENED ON VANDENBERG AMENDMENT BEFORE BILL IS
BROUGHT TO FLOOR. THEREAFTER, BEATTIE MAGDOFF CONTACTED NUMBER HER
GROUP LEADERS RELAYING ABOVE INSTRUCTIONS. ON EVENING, MARCH TWENTY-
THREE, BETTY COULTER CONTACTED MRS. MAGDOFF ON RUSSIAN MEETING, ~~ADVISING~~
ADVISING SHE HAD TAKEN POLL AND IT SHOULD OCCUR BETWEEN APRIL FIFTEEN
AND NEXT GROUP ~~MEETING~~ MEETING. BETTY SUGGESTED MR. HARRIMAN, WILLIAM
BARTON PERRY, ALSO JEROME DAVIS. SHE STATED THEY SHOULD NOT CONSIDER
DAVIES, PRESUMABLY AMBASSADOR ~~JOSEPH E. DAVIES~~ JOSEPH E. DAVIES, BECAUSE HE
IS A DOPE AND COMPLETELY PRO - RUSSIAN. BETTY SUGGESTED AVOIDING
INFLAMMATORY SUBJECT ~~AT~~ AT PRESENT TIME. ON MORNING MARCH TWENTY-
THREE MRS. MAGDOFF CONTACTED LEONARD ~~NIERENBERG~~ NIERENBERG, ADVISING SHE TRIED (X)
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TO CONTACT CARL ~~GREEN~~ TO INQUIRE ABOUT THE TAYLORS OR TAILORS. LEONARD DECLARED HE INTENDED CALL GREENS FRIEND, DAVID ~~WAHL~~. ON MORNING MARCH TWENTYFOUR, MRS. ~~MA~~ MAGDOFF CONTACTED ANNE FREED TO ASK HOW LATTERS MEETING WENT. ANNE STATED FORTYFIVE PEOPLE TURNED OUT. SPEAKER SPOKE ON UNO AVOIDING CONTROVERSIAL TOPICS. BEATTIE STATED SHE PLANNED LUNCHEON ~~GEORGE~~ GEORGE MASON HOTEL WITH SPEAKER TO TALK ON RUSSIA, AND IS THINKING OF CONGRESSMAN HUGH ~~DELACY~~, AS SPEAKER. BOTH AGREED HE WOULD BE EXCELLENT. SHORTLY THEREAFTER, BEATTIE CONTACTED SUBJECT ~~KRAMER~~ KRAMER, ADVISING THEY ARE PLANNING TO HAVE ~~GUEST~~ GUEST SPEAKER ON RUSSIA, APRIL TWELVE, FOR LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS, ARLINGTON AND ALEXANDRIA. KRAMER ~~STATED~~ STATED DELACY IS EXCELLENT SPEAKER, VERY ABLE BUT HAS PRIMARY COMING UP AND ~~MAY~~ MAY BE OUT OF TOWN. KRAMER ALSO ~~SUGGESTED~~ SUGGESTED CONGRESSMAN ADOLPH J

. SABATH WOULD BE VERY GOOD. ~~ALSO~~ ALSO SUGGESTED CONGRESSMEN CHET HOLIFIELD AND ELLIS E. PATTERSON OF CALIFORNIA, BUT THOUGHT LATER HAS PRIMARY FIGHT AND NOT AVAILABLE. BEATTIE STATED SHE WANTED TO BE SURE AND HAVE GOOD MAN BECAUSE THERE IS LOT OF FEELING EVEN WITHIN LEAGUE AND SHE WANTS SOMEONE WHO WILL CALL A SPADE A SPADE AND WILL ~~NOT~~ NOT BE STRADDLING THE FENCE. KRAMER INDICATED HE WOULD TALK TO ~~SOMEONE~~ SOMEONE ON HOUSE SIDE AND ~~CALL~~ BEATTIE. ON MORNING MARCH TWENTYTHREE, HELEN ~~SCOTT~~ CONTACTED JOAN REDMONT ADVISING ~~SHE~~ SHE HAD WONDERFUL TIME AT REDMONT PARTY FRIDAY EVENING AND WAS PARTICULARLY IMPRESSED WITH BORIS KRYLOV

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TASS REPRESENTATIVE. HELEN STATED HE REALLY CARRIED THE PARTY AND SHE WAS GLAD TO FIND SOMEONE WHO WOULD ANSWER HER QUESTIONS. SHE HOPED SHE DID NOT PICK ON HIM TOO MUCH. JOAN STATED ~~HE~~ HE WAS PROBABLY GLAD FOR NIGHT AWAY FROM RED BAITERS. HELEN REFERRED TO BOB, PROBABLY ROBERT ~~KLEIMAN~~ KLEIMAN, ~~WHO~~ WHO WAS PRESENT, STATING SHE WAS A BIT AFRAID TO EXPRESS HERSELF TOO FREELY. JOAN STATED SHE DID NOT KNOW TOO MUCH ABOUT KLEIMAN BUT BELIEVES HIM TO BE MORE THAN A PROGRESSIVE GUY, THAT HE IS GOOD FRIEND OF THEIRS AND SHE FEELS HE IS ALL RIGHT. ON SAME DATE, JOAN WAS ~~REDACTED~~ CONTACTED BY SHIRLEY ~~ELLENBOGEN~~ ELLENBOGEN, WHOM SHE ADVISED REDMONT PLANS TO LEAVE IN TWO WEEKS. INTENDS TO FLY TO MIAMI AND TAKE ANOTHER PLANE FROM THERE. JOAN STATED THEY MIGHT VISIT NEW YORK NEXT WEEKEND. ELLENBOGEN JUST RETURNED ~~FROM~~ FROM FLORIDA. HAD GOOD TIME BUT STATED FLORIDA IS SUPERSENSITIVE TO REDS. ON EVENING MARCH THIRTY, JERRY ~~ASKWITH~~ ASKWITH CONTACTED SUBJECT ~~REDACTED~~ REDMONT. DURING CONVERSATION SHE STATED DWIGHT ~~MALLON~~ MALLON, HIS BROTHER HOB AND ONE NEAL, PHONETIC, HAD SUPPER WITH BROTHER OF ~~REDACTED~~ AMBASSADOR HARRIMAN WHO STATED HARRIMAN HAD INDICATED RUSSIA ~~WOULD~~ MARCH ON ~~REDACTED~~ TURKEY. REDMONT TOLD JERRY TO READ PM SUMMARY ON IRAN AFFAIR, WHICH MAKES THE NEW YORK TIMES LOOK ~~REDACTED~~ SILLY. ON AFTERNOON, MARCH TWENTYFOUR, REDMONT CONTACTED EASTERN ~~REDACTED~~ AIRLINES MAKING RESERVATION ~~REDACTED~~ FOR PLANE TO NEW YORK SATURDAY MORNING, MARCH THIRTY, NINE FORTYFIVE AM, AND INQUIRED ABOUT RETURNING SAME ~~REDACTED~~ NIGHT. WAS ADVISED RESERVATIONS AVAILABLE FOUR

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AND EIGHT PM. TIME UNSUITABLE AND REDMONT INDICATED WOULD CONTACT
AMERICAN AIRLINES FOR RETURN TRIP FROM NEW YORK FIVE TWENTY PM.

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(C) ON [REDACTED] MARCH TWENTYFOUR, GEORGE [REDACTED] SILVERMAN
CONTACTED ONE MAT CONCERNING SALE OF SURPLUS SHOES. MAT INDICATED
HE IS GOING TO WORK FOR SPENCER DRAYTON [REDACTED] CROWD IN THE RACING

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GAME, FOR THE THOROUGHBRED RACING ASSOCIATION. ON MORNING MARCH TWENTYTWO, MARY JANE KEENEY CONTACTED HELEN SILVERMASTER ARRANGING ONE PM LUNCHEON AT QUOTE PLACE ~~XXXXXX~~ SPECIFIED ~~XXXXXX~~ UNQUOTE.

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ON MORNING MARCH TWENTYTHREE, ONE DOUGLAS CONTACTED ~~XXXXXX~~ SILVERMASTER FOR SOME INFORMATION ON SOMEONE AND ~~XXXXXX~~ SILVERMASTER ADVISED HIM TO CONTACT IRVING FRIEDMAN, FAIRFA X VILLAGE APARTMENTS, WHOM GREGORY DESCRIBED AS THEIR FAR ~~XXXXXX~~ EASTERN MAN. HE ALSO STATED JOHN W. GUNTER, WHO WENT TO IRAN IN NINETEEN THIRTYTHREE AS FINANCIAL ADVISER, MIGHT KNOW HIM. SILVERMASTER ~~XXXXXX~~ SUGGESTED DOUGLAS LET FRIEDMAN KNOW HE WAS CALLING AT SILVERMASTER'S ~~XXXXXX~~ SUGGESTION. ON MARCH TWENTYTHREE, HENRIETTA, BELIEVED HENRIETTA KLOTZ, CONTACTED HELEN SILVERMASTER, WHO ADVISED SHE HAD MISSED HENRIETTA VERY ~~XXXXXX~~ MUCH. LATTER AGREED TO COME TO DINNER THAT NIGHT. ~~XXXXXX~~ HENRIETTA STATED SHE MUST SEE GREGORY SILVERMASTER AS SHE ~~XXXXXX~~ HAS SO VERY MUCH TO TELL HIM. HENRIETTA EXPRESSED DISGUST FOR LIVING ~~XXXXXX~~ AND WORKING CONDITIONS IN ~~XXXXXX~~ NYC. SHORTLY THEREAFTER, HENRIETTA KLOTZ CONTACTED ANNE WHITE WHO WAS DISTURBED THAT HENRIETTA HAD NOT WRITTEN HER

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IN NEARLY SIX MONTHS. SHE AGREED TO VISIT ANNE ABOUT TWO PM. ON MORNING, MARCH TWENTYTWO, ELEANOR ~~WHEELER~~ CONTACTED MARY ~~WHEELER~~ WHO INDICATED SHE HAD TO BE AT WASHINGTON BOOK SHOP AT ~~XXXX~~ FIVE PM AS NORA WAS SPENDING WEEKEND WITH HENRIETTA ~~XXXX~~ AND ELEANOR WOULD TAKE HER OVER THERE. ELEANOR STATED SHE HAD RECEIVED CABLE FROM GEORGE WHEELER IN GERMANY AND GEORGE ~~XXXX~~ WAS SENDING MARY AND DON ~~XXXX~~ ONE HUNDRED DOLLARD ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ DOLLARS FOR MORE CIGARETTES. SHE EXPLAINED THE STATEMENT IN CABLE QUOTE CONTINUE TREATMENT UNQUOTE MEANT CONTINUE SENDING CIGARETTES. SHE STATED SHE JUST SENT GEORGE FIFTEEN CARTONS OF CIGARETTES AND HE WAS ABLE TO SECURE ZEISS CAMERA WITH THREE LENSES WHICH WOULD SELL HERE FOR THREE OR FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS. MARY INDICATED SHE WAS GOING TO VISIT ANNE STEIN THAT AFTERNOON, WHO IS THE WIFE OF COMMUNIST ARTHUR ~~STEIN~~. ON MORNING MARCH TWENTYTHREE, CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED HARRY WHITE CONTACTED GEORGE SILVERMAN, ~~XXXX~~ HAVING LEARNED GEORGE WENT TO BOSTON. ~~XXXX~~ SILVERMAN STATED FATHER NOT BEEN WELL. ~~XXXX~~ SILVERMAN ~~XXXXXX~~ ADVISED MONNET ~~XXXXXX~~ CAME BACK THE DAY BEFORE. WHITE STATED SAVANNAH CONFERENCE WENT NICELY. THEY AGREED TO MEET ABOUT ELEVEN AM NEXT DAY AND RIDE OR PLAY VOLLEY BALL. AT NOON, MARCH TWENTYTHREE, CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED JOHN CROWDER CONTACTED WHITE, STATING ~~XXXXXX~~ HE WANTED TO HAVE TALK ABOUT THIS ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ FINANCING AND SO FORTH UNQUOTE. HE ASKED IF HARRY HEARD ABOUT DOUGLAS BEING RECOMMEDNED AS PRESIDENT OF THE ~~XXXX XXXX~~ BANK. HARRY STATED THERE WERE PRETTY STRONG RUMORS, BUT NOTHING ~~XXXX~~

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DEFINITE. WHITE STATED THAT THE PRESEDENT OF THE BANK WILL HAVE TO HAVE THE CONFIDENCE OF THE INSURANCE COMPANIES AND THE BANKS AND THAT THE PRESIDENT BETTER NOT HAVE ANY QUOTE NEW DEAL TAIN UNQUOTE IF THAT IS THE CASE. ON MARCH TWENTYFOUR, BERNIE, PROBABLY COLONEL BERNARD BERNSTEIN, CONTACTED WHITE STATING HE TRIED TO GET IN TOUCH WITH RANDY FELTUS TO SEE IF ANY ~~ANY~~ FURTHER PROGRESS ON DINNER HAD BEEN MAD BERNIE INQUIRED WHAT HARRY THOUGHT OF APPOINTMENT OF DOUGLAS AND STATED HE WASNT REALLY APOINTED, BUT THERE WAS STOR Y ABOUT IT ON ~~FRONT~~ FRONT PAGE OF TIMES. BERNIE STATED APPARENTLY ~~IT~~ IT WAS GIVEN OUT BY VINSONS PEOPLE. BERNIE SAID THAT HE WAS VINSONS COUNSEL AND WOULD DIRECT THE BANK (S) u

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NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS, ET AL, ESPIONAGE - R.
RECORDS STANFORD UNIVERSITY DO NOT REFLECT NAMES OF HARRY
DEXTER WHITE'S PARENTS. WHITE USING THAT NAME, MATRICULATED
STANFORD UNIVERSITY JUNE 19, 1923. OBTAINED A.B. OCTOBER 9, 1924
AND M. A. JUNE 22, 1925. CLAIMED BIRTH BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS
OCTOBER 29, 1892. GRADUATED EVERETT HIGH SCHOOL, EVERETT MASSACHUSETTS
NINETEEN TEN, ATTENDED MASSACHUSETTS AGRICULTURE COLLEGE, SEPTEMBER
NINETEEN ELEVEN TO FEBRUARY NINETEEN TWELVE AND COLOMBIA UNIVERSITY,
FEBRUARY NINETEEN TWENTY TWO TO JUNE NINETEEN TWENTY THREE. SERVED AS
FIRST LIEUTENANT U. S. ARMY, INFANTRY, MAY 6, NINETEEN SEVENTEEN TO
FEBRUARY 19, NINETEEN NINETEEN. DATE OF COMMISSION AUGUST 15, NINETEEN
SEVENTEEN. WHITE FURNISHED TRANSCRIPT OF CREDITS FROM COLOMBIA UNIVER
BY LETTER DATED MARCH SEVENTEEN, TWENTY THREE, ON LETTERHEAD QUOTE THE
CORNER HOURLY UNQUOTE, 19-21 CHARLES STREET, NEW YORK CITY, TELEPHONE
WATKINS 0040. ADDRESS OF WHITE WHITE AT STANFORD UNIVERSITY CARE OF
GENERAL DELIVERY. ADDRESS SEPTEMBER NINETEEN TWENTY FIVE INDICATED
5 CHANCEY STREET, CAMBRIDGE, MASS. ALUMNI DIRECTORY, STANFORD
UNIVERSITY REFLECTS WHITE MARRIED FEBRUARY TWENTYTWO, NINETEEN EIGHTEEN
TO ANNE TERRY, MASTER OF ARTS DEGREE, 1923, STANFORD UNIVERSITY.
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Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. D. M. *[initials]*
FROM : J. C. Strickland
SUBJECT: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al
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DATE: March 21, 1946

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- Miss Nease
- Miss Beahm
- Miss Gandy

On March 15, 1946, Mr. Leo L. Laughlin, War Assets Corporation, delivered to Supervisor W. K. Harvy the War Assets Corporation personnel file of Nathan Gregory Silvermaster which was immediately photostated and the original returned to Mr. Laughlin. In addition, there is attached a memorandum dictated by Mr. Laughlin concerning Silvermaster, reflecting information discreetly obtained by Mr. Laughlin through conversations with Charles N. Keeting, formerly employed by the Civil Service Commission and now an employee of the Office of Compliance Enforcement, War Assets Corporation.

ACTION

Attached for your approval is a letter to the Washington Field Office concerning this matter, transmitting to the Washington Field Office the information received by Mr. Laughlin from Keeting and advising also that a copy of the personnel file on Silvermaster is being furnished that office as soon as possible for its information and assistance in connection with the above investigation.

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March 18, 1946

NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER

The following information concerning Silvermaster was obtained discreetly through several conversations with Charles N. Keeting, formerly with the Civil Service Commission and now employed as an agent in the Office of Compliance Enforcement:

Around 1943 Silvermaster was employed by the Department of Agriculture, and he went from there to the Foreign Economic Administration on a reimburseable basis. He refused to transfer until cleared by Civil Service Commission. Keeting gave them a hearing. However, Silvermaster sensing what was in the air went back to Agriculture and Civil Service lost jurisdiction. Keeting insisted that if he had transferred to FEA Civil Service probably would have had him removed because of un-American activities on the theory that all appointments to FEA were subject to investigation by Civil Service.

Alfred Klein, Council for the Civil Service Commission, indicated by an informal memorandum that even if the Civil Service Commission had jurisdiction over Silvermaster, he probably would have retained his eligibility because the Commission had been unable to prove recent activities on the part of the subject.

According to Keeting, the Department of Agriculture conducted quite an extensive investigation on Silvermaster. This inquiry was handled by an Investigator named Johns, who was attached to the office of the Chief Investigator Forester.

Keeting also alleges that the American Legion in the State of California has a large file on Silvermaster and have been insisting from time to time, when his name arises in connection with Government employment, that he be removed from Government service.

While Silvermaster was in FEA, according to Keeting, he was closely connected with the "Bureau of Areas" and as such had access to all confidential information concerning the movement of ships, troops, etc. In view of his position MID wanted an investigation conducted on everybody in the Bureau. MID investigated Silvermaster during the course of which they obtained copies of Bureau reports. MID furnished a copy of its report to the Administrator of FEA and in some manner the report found its way into Silvermaster's hands. He prepared a several page answer to the various allegations in the report, and the report with Silvermaster's answer was referred to Secretary of War Patterson. He ruled that in his opinion a case had not been made against the subject.

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Keeting states that Silvermaster's alleged Party name is Serge Komov and that he was a member of the Professional Section of the Communist Party in San Francisco, California. Keeting says, according to investigation conducted by Civil Service, Silvermaster has been underground since about 1935. He added that the Civil Service Commission has a 200 page report on this individual. He also stated that Silvermaster is an extremely close friend of Bruce Minton, whose real name is Richard Brandenstein, alias Richard Branston, the editor of "New Masses."

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March 29, 1946

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LADD

RE: Silvermaster Case

Admiral Souers recently advised Special Agent Doherty that a short time ago he, Admiral Souers, had occasion to see a lengthy summary memorandum of approximately 200 pages that had been prepared by the Bureau. Souers saw the memorandum at the White House. He stated that while he is aware that the matter is not of primary interest to him, he nevertheless is desirous of ascertaining whether a copy can be made available to him.

It is requested that agent Doherty be advised so that he can appropriately notify Admiral Souers if such a memorandum can be made available.

Respectfully,

E. G. Fitch
 E. G. Fitch

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*Adm. Souers
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BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

Rear Admiral Sidney W. Souers
Director
Central Intelligence Group
Room 4253, New War Department Building
21st and Virginia Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Admiral Souers:

For your personal and confidential information there is attached a copy of a secret memorandum dated February 21, 1946, entitled "UNDERGROUND SOVIET ESPIONAGE ORGANIZATION (NKVD) IN AGENCIES OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT" which you recently requested.

In view of the extremely confidential character of the information contained in the attached summary memorandum, and in view further of the vulnerability of the informant Gregory, it will be deeply appreciated if this memorandum is maintained by you on a strictly confidential basis and that no action be taken on the basis thereof which might jeopardize the informant Gregory.

With expressions of my highest esteem and best regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
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(Attached to this letter was serial numbered copy 5 of the 194-page memorandum entitled "UNDERGROUND SOVIET ESPIONAGE ORGANIZATION (NKVD) IN AGENCIES OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT" dated 2-21-46, and prepared in connection with the case entitled Nathan Gregory Silvermaster, was, et al; Espionage - R.)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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DATE: March 22, 1946

TO : THE DIRECTOR

FROM : D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WITH ALIASES, ET AL
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Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Tele. Room
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

As you will, of course, recall, the above case is being handled on an extremely special basis. In connection with this case there is voluminous correspondence between the Bureau and various field offices, as well as between the Bureau and its representatives outside the United States, requiring in addition to letters and reports a large number of teletypes and radiograms. In order to facilitate communications in connection with the above case and because of the economy it will effect, it is believed that a code word should be established and generally used in connection with the above case, particularly since even the short title of the case set out above is rather long.

In this connection it will be recalled that in memoranda disseminated to other agencies in the above case the informant has been consistently referred to as "Gregory" and that this case has informally become known to an extent in the Bureau and also, for example, as the "Gregory case."

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It is recommended that the formal use of the word "Gregory" as a code word in the above case be approved. Attached for approval is an appropriate SAC letter in this case.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

[MARCH 28, 1946]

SAC, NEW YORK

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DATE: March 14, 1946

RE: MGC

TO : MR. D. M. LADD

FROM : Mr. R. R. Roach

SUBJECT: CHARLES A. PAGE, JR. and
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NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER

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NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS. ETAL, ESPIONAGE R.
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WASH FROM NEW YORK

DIRECTOR URGENT

NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS ETAL. ESPIONAGE R. CEDRIC
KENNING BELFRAGE ALIAS BENJAMIN. A SUBJECT IN THIS CASE, LEAVING
NYC SEVEN PM TODAY ABOARD DETROITER WITH RESERVATIONS CAR FOUR
SEVEN EIGHT UPPER BERTH FOURTEEN. ARRIVES DETROIT EIGHT TWENTYFIVE
AM APRIL SECOND FORTY SIX. PICTURE OF BELFRAGE AND DESCRIPTION FOR-
WARDED TO DETROIT AND MARCH TWENTYNINTH FORTYSIX. VERY DISCREET
PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE REQUESTED. DESIRED THAT BELFRAGE BE SURVEILLED
AT TIME OF DEPARTURE IN MORNING TO TIME OF RETIRING IN EVENING.
POSSIBILITY OF BEING MADE SHOULD BE HELD TO MINIMUM. NAMES OF ALL
CONTACTS AND ACTIVITIES SHOULD BE DEVELOPED. BELFRAGE PLANS TO VISIT
REV. CLAUDE WILLIAMS, DIRECTOR, PEOPLES INSTITUTE OF APPLIED RELIGION,
ADDRESS IN DETROIT UNKNOWN. DESIRE INFORMATION THROUGH ALL AVAILABLE
CONFIDENTIAL SOURCES PROVIDED BELFRAGE STAYS AT HOTEL. ADVISE BUREAU,
WASHINGTON FIELD AND NY BY DAILY TELETYPE BELFRAGES ACTIVITIES.

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NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS, ET AL, ESPIONAGE - R. REFER

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CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED THAT IN A CONVERSATION ON MARCH TWENTYEIGHTH BETWEEN ABE BROTHMAN AND ONE JACK MILLER, APPARENTLY BROTHMAN'S ATTORNEY, BROTHMAN DISCUSSED SEVERAL PROPOSITIONS WHICH THE KAISER FRAZER INTERESTS HAVE OFFERED HIM. THE PLAN IS APPARENTLY THAT HE IS TO DISPOSE OF HIS INTERESTS IN NYC AND JOIN FORCES WITH KAISER-FRAZER IN SOME CAPACITY.

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GREGORY CAN RECALL ONLY THAT THIS WOMAN WAS SHORT, SLIGHT, DARK AND JEWISH, AND FURTHER THAT SHE WAS IN THE CANADIAN WOMEN-S ARMY CORPS BUT HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN EMPLOYED BY THE INTERNATIONAL LABOR ORGANIZATION AND INTENDED TO RETURN TO THE ILO WHEN SHE RETURNED TO CIVILIAN LIFE. INFORMANT CANNOT RECALL WOMAN-S NAME

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Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: MR. LADD

DATE: March 27, 1946

FROM: MR. STRICKLAND

SUBJECT: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS ET AL
(JAMES R. NEWMAN AND HERBERT S. MARKS)
ESPIONAGE - R.

Roach

Reference is made to the memorandum dated March 19, 1946 to you from Mr. R. R. Roach concerning the information furnished by Mr. Joseph A. Panuch, alleging that at the present time a number of high Government officials, including Undersecretary of State Dean Acheson, Secretary of Commerce Henry Agar Wallace and a number of others are presently engaged in an enormous Soviet espionage ring for the purpose of furnishing all information regarding atomic energy and the atom bomb to the Soviet Union.

You will recall, also, that on the basis of this memorandum the Director instructed that a discreet investigation be instituted with regard to Herbert S. Marks, Assistant to the Undersecretary of State, and James R. Newman, an official of the Office of War Mobilization and Reconversion and, according to Panuch, a close contact of Nathan Gregory Silvermaster.

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In connection with this investigation it is requested that Mr. R. R. Roach recontact Mr. Joseph A. Panuch for the purpose of procuring from him any and all additional or substantiating information regarding these allegations with particular stress on the sources of the allegations made by Panuch and the exact sources of the information which he has furnished in this connection.

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Any further information which can be obtained along these lines will, of course, be of extreme value in connection with this investigation.

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Mr. Panuch has no further info but will make available any information he obtains in future 4/11/46 R

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Very truly yours,

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SOURCE ADVISED ALGER HISS CONTACTED MOTHER IN BALTIMORE. TOLD HER, IN
ANSWER QUESTION IN LETTER, FULL TITLE IS PRINCIPAL ADVISER, U. S. DEPT. OF
DELEGATION TO THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY. HISS SAID HE
WILL BROADCAST NEXT SATURDAY, SEVEN THIRTY PM ON FOREIGN POLICY
ASSOCIATION BROADCAST. MRS. HISS INDICATED WOMAN TOLD HER ABOUT ARTICLE
IN NEW YORK SUN STATING HISS IS IN VERY GOOD COMPANY, BUT SOME CALL
HIM COMMUNIST. HISS SAID THAT WAS LAST DECEMBER DURING HURLEY AFFAIR.
CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED ONE JOHN BLAIR, APPARENTLY FELLOW WORKER COM-
MERCE DEPARTMENT, CONTACTED MAGDOFF. DURING CONVERSATION CONCERNING
ECONOMICS, BLAIR STATED SPENT TWO HOURS ON FEB. TWENTYFIVE WITH OSCAR

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LANGE, POLISH ~~AMIRAL~~ AMBASSADOR TO THIS COUNTRY DISCUSSING ECONOMIC THEORY. BALIR HAS WRITTEN FIVE HUNDRED PAGE BOOK WHICH HARRY MAGDOFF THOUGHT GOOD. BALIR INDICATED HE MIGHT GO INTO REGIONAL ECONOMIC DIVISION FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC COMMERCE, AND MAGDOFF STATED HE IS ALSO INTERESTED AND THE SECRETARY IS MUCH INTERESTED IN IT. ON EVENING FEB. TWENTY SEVEN LAST, REMINGTONS INVITED TO DINNER AT RESIDENCE SPENCER BARNES, FOUR FIVE ONE NAUGHT THIRTEENTH ST, NORTHWEST. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE INDICATED SPENCER GOING AWAY TO RUSSIA. [CONFIDENTIAL ~~INFORMANT~~ INFORMANT ADVISED FRANCES ~~EDELSTEIN~~ CONTACTED ANNE ~~WHITE~~ YESTERDAY. THEY DISCUSSED FACT ANNE AND HARRY ~~WHITE~~ HAVENOT BEEN IN FRANCES HOME FOR THREE YEARS. ANNE STATED FRANCES HAD NOT INVITED THEM SINCE FRANCES LIVED ON R STREET ON AN OCCASSION WHEN FRANCES HAD ASKED HELEN TO COME. FRANCES REMEMBERED IT WAS THE NIGHT BORIS HAD TALKED ABOUT GOING TO ALASKA. ANNE SAID SHE COULD NOT RECALL THE TOPIC, BUT THE ACHENSTEINS, PHONETIC, WERE PRESENT. HELEN ~~SILVERMASTER~~ AND HER BROTHER BORIS ~~WITTE~~ WITTE, BELIEVED ~~INDIVIDUALS~~ INDIVIDUALS DISCUSSED ABOVE, WHICH REFLECTS INTIMATE ASSOCIATION IN PAST. SAME SOURCE ADVISED ON EVENING FEB. TWENTYEIGHT, LOUIS ~~BLOCK~~ BLOCK, PHONETIC, ~~CONTACTED~~ CONTACTED HELEN SILVERMASTER STATING THERE IS RUMOR IN SAN FRANCISCO THAT BRUCE ~~MINTON~~ MINTON ISSUED A STATEMENT HE IS THROUGH WITH HIS FORMER IDEAS. HELEN STATED SHE HAD NOT HEARD NOT

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NOR HAD ~~████~~ GREGORY OR HE WOULD HAVE TOLD HER. LOUIE SAID TELL
GREGG QUOTE THAT RUMOR HAS BEEN GOING AROUND A STATEMENT SIMILAR TO
BROWDER YOU KNOW UNQUOTE. ABOVE INDIVIDUAL MAY BE IDENTICAL WITH ~~LOUIE~~
REFERRED TO ~~████~~ MY TELETYPE FEB. ~~████████████████████~~ TWENTYFIVE
WHO WAS INVITED TO SILVERMASTERS WITH MARGARET ~~████████████████████~~ KLEM
THAT NIGHT. ON LATE EVENING, FEB. TWENTYEIGHT, HERMAN ~~████~~ KLOTZ CONTACTED
HELEN SILVERMASTER MENTIONING HE SAW ~~LUDE~~ THIS DATE AND IS ~~████~~ LEAVING
FOR NEW YORK ~~████~~ FIRST. SAME SOURCE ADVISED A FEW MINUTES THEREAFTER
KLOTZ CONTACTED ANNE WHITE. HE INDICATED HE HATES HIS JOB AND MAY LEAVE
FOR PARIS IN WEEK OR TEN DAYS. HERMAN STATED MAX ~~LOWENTHAL~~ WAS IN
WASHINGTON ~~████~~ LAST WEEK. IT IS RECALLED ~~LOWENTHAL~~, FORMER FEA
EMPLOYEE ~~████~~ WELL KNOWN TO BUREAU, WAS IN TOUCH WITH ~~████~~ HALPERIN ON THIS
VISIT. HERMAN MENTIONED NEW YORK POST HAD HIRED ICKES FOR FIFTY
THOUSAND DOLLARS. ANNE WHITE COMMENTED RUTH GRUVER HAD OBTAINED JOB
WITH NEW YORK POST TO COVER PALESTINE CONFERENCE IN LONDON. ACCORDING
TO CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, ANNE WHITE CONTACTED UNKNOWN WOMAN FEB.
TWENTYEIGHT TO REQUEST ADDRESS PROFESSOR F. P. BYSTROV, SPC, AND WAS
FURNISHED ADDRESS ~~████~~ ONE SIX TWO SEVEN NEWTON, NORTHWEST. ON AFTERNOON
FEB. TWENTYEIGHT, HARRY WHITE ADVISED ANNE WHITE HE JUST LEARNED LEON
BLUMS PLANE WAS DELAYED AND HE WILL NOT BE HERE IN TIME FOR FRIDAY
NIGHT SO IT WAS MADE FOR SUNDAY NIGHT EIGHT PM. ~~████~~ u

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cc Mr. Whitson

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TO : D. M. Ladd
FROM : J. K. Mumford
SUBJECT: N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER, et al
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DATE: March 28, 1946

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NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS, ET AL, BY SPIONAGE- R. CONFIDENTIAL
SOURCE ADVISED YESTERDAY THAT CATHERINE DUFFY WAS PAID IN ADVANCE FOR
ONE MONTH BY THE PRAVDINS BEFORE THEIR DEPARTURE AND ALSO THAT SHE WAS
GIVEN THE USE OF THE PRAVDIN APARTMENT FOR THE SAME PERIOD. DUFFY SAID
YESTERDAY THAT SHE HAD GONE TO RYE, NY, LAST SATURDAY WITH THE PEOPLE
WITH WHOM SHE WILL START TO WORK. IT IS PRESUMED THAT THIS REFERENCE IS
TO ANDREW AND ZINA VOYNOW, WHO ARE KNOWN TO HAVE A RESIDENCE AT RYE,
NY. AT PRESENT TIME VOYNOWS HAVE A SMALL APARTMENT IN MANHATTAN AND
APPARENTLY HAVE NO ROOM FOR DUFFY. DUFFY SAID THAT ALTHOUGH SHE WILL BE
PAID FROM APRIL FIFTEEN BY HER NEW EMPLOYER, THERE WILL BE NO ROOM FOR
HER UNTIL MAY FIFTEEN, AT WHICH TIME DUFFY WILL APPARENTLY START TO
LIVE WITH HER NEW EMPLOYERS, PRESUMABLY AT VOYNOWS, AT RYE, NY. BOSTON
BY TELETYPE YESTERDAY FURNISHED FOLLOWING INFO. JUDITH GOLDSTEIN,
NEE GOLDBERG, BORN AUGUST SIX, NINETEEN TWENTYTHREE, VLADIVOSTOK, RUSSIA.
RECEIVED DERIVATIVE CITIZENSHIP THRU MOTHER JUNE TWELVE NINETEEN THIRTY-
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ATTENDED GIRLS LATIN AND BROOKLINE MASS. HIGH SCHOOLS, GRADUATING JUNE FORTYTWO. RESIDED AT SEVEN NETHERLAND ROAD, BROOKLINE WITH JACOB AND GERTRUDE ~~GOLDBERG~~. NO RECORD OF HUSBAND ARTHUR ALLEN ~~GOLDSTEIN~~. IMMIGRATION RECORDS AT BOSTON REFLECT MOTHER JENNIE WEINSTEIN ~~GOLDBERG~~ GAVE AS WITNESSES MARIE ~~STERN~~ ONE FOUR FIVE BABCOCK ST., BROOKLINE AND BEATRICE ~~WEINSTEIN~~, FOUR TWO THREE WASHINGTON ST., BROOKLINE. SEPARATED FROM HUSBAND ALEXANDER GOLDBERG IN NINETEEN THIRTYSEVEN. JENNIE A. GOLDBERG ADVISED REGISTRAR OF VOTERS BROOKLINE, MASS, THAT SHE RESIDED AT NYC SINCE FEB. NINETEEN, FORTYFOUR, AND FURNISHED FORWARDING ADDRESS IN CARE OF BENENSON, EIGHT EIGHT FIVE WEST END AVENUE, NYC., AND SHE WAS WORKING FOR U. S. GOVERNMENT. MANHATTAN TELEPHONE DIRECTORY, NYC, REFLECTS MRS. JENNIE GOLDBERG, FIVE SEVEN FOUR WEST END AVE., NYC. INVESTIGATION BY THIS OFFICE FOR YEARS NINETEEN FORTYFOUR AND FORTYFIVE FAILS TO REFLECT THAT JUDITH GOLDBERG GOLDSTEIN AND ARTHUR ALLEN GOLDSTEIN WERE MARRIED, BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, THOSE YEARS. FURTHER CHECKS OF OTHER BOROUGHES WILL BE MADE BUT IT IS SUGGESTED THAT MARRIAGE MAY HAVE TAKEN PLACE IN WASHINGTON D. C.

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NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS, ET AL, ESPIONAGE R. CONFIDENTIAL

SOURCE ADVISES THAT

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AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN REQUESTS EDITH HALPERIN TO
SERVE AS TREASURER THAT ORGANIZATION FOR ENSUING YEAR. BEATTIE
MAGDOFF IS ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN A SPEAKER, PREFERABLY
A CONGRESSMAN, TO SPEAK ON RUSSIA ON FRIDAY, APRIL TWELVE, FROM TWO
TO TWO THIRTY PM ON LOCAL VIRGINIA RADIO STATION. LEONARD
NIERENBERG ADVISED MAGDOFF THAT DAVID WAHL WAS INVOLVED IN AN
ACCIDENT SUSTAINING A BROKEN NOSE. WAHL IS IN THE NAVAL HOSPITAL
IN BETHESDA. ONE CAMERON, PHONETIC, OF THE LOCAL JEWISH COUNCIL
OFFICE, ADVISED HARRY MAGDOFF THAT HE WAS IN THE PROCESS OF
ORGANIZING A GOVERNMENT DIVISION OF THE UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
CAMPAIGN. PHIL KLUTZ, WHO IS A COMMISSIONER AT PUBLIC HOUSING, HAS
ACCEPTED THE OVER-ALL CHAIRMANSHIP. MAGDOFF WAS REQUESTED TO ASSIST
AND AGREED. ISADORE LATTMAN ADVISED DICK SASULY THAT HE HAD RECEIVED
A FORM LETTER SIGNED BY WALTER BERNSTEIN ENTITLED QUOTE WIN THE
PEACE UNQUOTE FROM WHICH A PART WAS QUOTED BY LATTMAN. QUOTE
THOSE OF US WHO SERVED AS YANK CORRESPONDENTS AT THE BATTLE

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FRONTS SAW THE WAR. WE SAW NAZISM AND THE JAPANESE WAR MACHINE SMASHED AND WE SAW WHAT IT COST IN ~~XXX~~ TERMS OF DEAD AND WOUNDED. ON MARCH FIVE BACK IN OUR HOMES WE ~~XXXXXX~~ LISTENED TO CHURCHILLS BROADCAST. WE HEARD A MAN BESEECH US TO PREPARE FOR ANOTHER ~~XXXXXX~~ WAR AND YOU TOO WERE SHOCKED BY PRESIDENT TRUMANS IMPLIED AGREEMENT UNQUOTE. HELEN TENNEY PLANS ON MOTORING TO ~~XXXX~~ CHARLOTTESVILLE WITH SOME FRIENDS FOR THE ~~XXX~~ WEEKEND AND EXPECTS TO RETURN TO WASHINGTON LATE SUNDAY EVENING *(S/Vu)*

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New York 7, New York

March 28, 1946

Director, FBI

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Re: WHITTAKER CHAMBERS
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

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Dear Sir:

On March 26, 1946, Mr. J. C. SPRICKLAND of the Bureau telephonically advised Mr. CONROY that the Director was desirous of having WHITTAKER CHAMBERS of the editorial staff of Time Magazine, interviewed in connection with information previously furnished by CHAMBERS concerning ALGER HISS of the State Department. It was desired that this office ascertain whether CHAMBERS would object to the use of his name in the further development of information concerning HISS and his activities and also to determine if CHAMBERS would be willing to testify as to his knowledge of HISS' connections with the Communist Party. It will be recalled that WHITTAKER CHAMBERS was interviewed by ADOLF BERLE of the State Department during September of 1939 at which time CHAMBERS revealed certain information concerning the Communist underground movement in Washington, D. C. and identified certain persons actively associated with the Communist Party. Among those named was ALGER HISS. A typewritten copy of Mr. BERLE's notes was furnished to the New York Office and the information thereon concerning HISS is characterized as follows:

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"Alger Hiss, Ass't. to Sayre - CP - 1937
Member of the Underground Com. - Active
Baltimore boys -
Wife - Fricilla Hiss - Socialist -
Early days of New Deal.

"Donald Hiss, (Philippine Adviser) Member of C.P. with
Fresman & Witt - Labor Dep't. - Ass't.
to Frances Perkins - Party wanted him there -
to send him as arbitrator in Bridges trial -
Brought along by brother.

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CHAMBERS was first interviewed by Agents of the New York Office on March 13, 1942 and the result of this interview is set forth in the New

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New York Office letter to the Bureau, dated March 14, 1942, entitled: WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was.; ESPIONAGE - R. In this initial interview with CHAMBERS, he stated that ALGER HISS and DONALD HISS were also members of the underground organization as secured by WARE. He stated that these men also left the AAA but remained in Government service. According to CHAMBERS, ALGER HISS went into munitions investigations and later became Assistant Solicitor General of the United States after which he left there and became Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of State. DONALD HISS was in the Labor Department where according to CHAMBERS, Miss PERKINS thought a great deal of him. He further stated that the party planned to have DONALD HISS handle the BRIDGES Case in California in view of the influence which he might have, after which he went to the Philippine Division of the Department of State.

In New York Office letter, dated June 26, 1945, captioned: WHITTAKER CHAMBERS; INTERNAL SECURITY - R, information was set forth concerning the results of the second interview with WHITTAKER CHAMBERS by Agents of this office. On this occasion CHAMBERS elaborated on the information he originally supplied concerning HISS. On this occasion he remarked as follows:

"Employed by the State Department and presently general secretary of the United Nations Conference international organization in San Francisco. With reference to HISS, CHAMBERS recalled that while he was in the Agricultural Adjustment Administration, he had met on several occasions with HAROLD WARE's group, and that he had usually attended when the group meetings were held at HENRY COLLINS' house. He added that when HISS went into the Nye Committee Investigating Armaments, he was segregated from the group and had no more official contacts with them, but would meet socially with a lot of them and was particularly close to JOHN ABT's sister MARIAN BACHRACK.

"When he was asked whether or not he believed that HISS might have broken with the Communist Party, he stated he had no reason to believe that he may have dropped out, and as a reason for this belief, explained that after he had broken with the Communist Party, he had made a special trip to HISS' home in Georgetown, Washington, D. C. with the purpose of talking HISS into breaking away from the Party. CHAMBERS explained that when he arrived that HISS' wife PRISCILLA was the only one there, and while CHAMBERS momentarily excused himself to go to the bathroom, he observed Mrs. HISS immediately go to the telephone obviously to get in touch with Party members. CHAMBERS immediately returned to the room and awaited the arrival of ALGER HISS.

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"When HISS arrived, they had dinner together at his home and then talked with him all night long in an effort to persuade him to leave the Party. He stated that with tears streaming down his face, HISS had refused to break with the Communist and had given as his reason for not breaking his loyalty to his friends and principles. CHAMBERS stated his reason in going to HISS in order to get him to break away from the Communist Party was that he personally thought an awful lot about HISS and considered him an intelligent and decent young man whose better judgment should have led him to break with the Communist movement. CHAMBERS pointed out in his opinion, one of the strongest reasons for HISS' maintaining contact with the Communist Party was the fanatical loyalty to the Communist Party on the part of his wife. "

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"DONALD HISS is a brother of ALGER HISS, and otherwise not identified by CHAMBERS. "

The interview of CHAMBERS as requested by Mr. STRICKLAND was delayed it having been learned that Mr. CHAMBERS was at his country place near Westminster, Maryland and would not return to his offices in New York City until March 28, 1946. On March 28, 1946, CHAMBERS was interviewed by Special Agent THOMAS G. SPENCER in his office, Room 2816, 9 Rockefeller Plaza, New York City.

After preliminary discussion relative to information previously supplied by CHAMBERS concerning HISS, he related that his actual knowledge of HISS' activities concerned the period shortly preceding 1937 and he was unable to elaborate on any information concerning HISS' connection with the Communist Party or Communist front organizations other than what he reported at the time he was interviewed on March 13, 1942 and again on May 10, 1945. The information developed from CHAMBERS in these two cases are set forth above. He recalled that after 1937 he was of course no longer actively associated with the Communist Party and since he was actively engaged in his association with the Time Magazine he had lost all contact with ALGER HISS and the only information that he has concerning him is that which has appeared recently in the various newspapers which have attempted to attach him in some way to the Communist Party. He stated that as a matter of fact he has absolutely no information that would conclusively prove that HISS held a membership card in the Communist Party or that he was an actual dues paying member of the Communist Party even while he was active prior to 1937. He volunteered that he knew that in 1937 HISS was favorably impressed with the Communist movement and was of the present opinion that HISS still was of the same beliefs. He indicated that he did not

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have any documentary or other proof to substantiate this belief and based it solely upon comments made by various Washington and New York newspaper writers.

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(u) In view of the information supplied by [redacted] whose identity is known to the Bureau, on March 18, 1946, indicating that HOWARD RUSHMORE of the New York Journal-American is alleged to have stated that "some Commie in the State Department had released the information and that he wanted to go on record that it was Alger Hiss. That Hiss was probably running the State Department and that Rushmore had a witness who worked at Time Magazine who would get on the witness stand and state that Hiss paid dues to the Communist Party for a period of three years", CHAMBERS was again asked if in any of his past activities he had any documentary evidence or any independent recollection that HISS was a dues paying member of the Communist Party. He again stated that he had no such information and that if he did have this information he would be more than glad to supply it to this Bureau. He further remarked in previous interviews with Agents of this office that he had never purposefully held out any information and had always been forthright in relaying any information that he had in which the Bureau had shown an interest.

CHAMBERS was then asked whether he would object to the use of his name in the further development of information concerning ALGER HISS' alleged Communist activities and he was desirous of knowing if we had any particular person in mind who we intended interrogating in which the use of his name might be beneficial. He was informed that at the present time we did not have anyone in mind but were simply desirous of knowing whether he would object to the use of his name in the event an investigation of HISS' activities was instigated sometime in the future. He then stated that if a certain amount of discretion was used in the use of his name he did not see how he could object to this procedure. He volunteered that he of course had made a mistake in his youth in embracing Communism and that ever since 1937 when he broke away from this type of activity, he felt that he owed a serious debt to this country and that the only way that he could pay it off was to do everything in his power to expose Communism in this country. He stated that he has since 1937 denounced Communism to the point that whenever his name is mentioned in certain circles he is referred to as a "red baiter". He volunteered that in his own organization there are some people who have a liberal attitude towards Russia and that his name is "poison".

CHAMBERS then stated that if the Bureau was of the opinion that at this time the use of his name might be beneficial in obtaining definite information

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Regarding HISS' Communist connections he would not object to this procedure; however, he strongly suggested that if we did contemplate this that we so inform him. He again stated that this he would leave to the discretion of the Bureau.

He was then questioned as to whether he would be willing to testify as to information he had previously supplied the Bureau with reference to his knowledge of HISS' activities and any subsequent information regarding HISS that came to his attention. He replied that if he were called to testify he did not see how he could refuse to do so. He remarked, however, that he was hopeful that if this eventuality came to pass the hearing would be a closed one. In conclusion he stated that he has a great amount of respect for the confidence which the Bureau has exhibited in information which he has already furnished. He stated that he is of course extremely anxious to keep his position with Time Magazine and would appreciate it if the Bureau would consider his position if the Bureau decided to use his name in connection with an investigation of HISS or in the event he was called upon to testify. CHAMBERS was receptive, cordial and cooperative and it is felt that if the Bureau decided to conduct an investigation of HISS' Communist activities that CHAMBERS will agree to anything within reason.

Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY
SAC

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cc - 65-14603

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: March 29, 1946

FROM : Mr. D. M. Ladd

SECRETSUBJECT: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al
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Information has previously been furnished to you concerning the contacts made between Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Jr., former Secretary of the Treasury, and Silvermaster. An additional contact was made between Mr. Morgenthau and Harry White of the Treasury Department on March 28, 1946, according to information received from a technical source which is set out in the attached MI Summary. (S)(u)

At 6:45 p.m. on March 28, 1946, Mr. Morgenthau who was in Washington first contacted Mrs. Harry White and then talked to Harry White. During a lengthy conversation Morgenthau told White that he was going to see the President the next day concerning an agricultural program. He also referred to a letter which he had written to Vinson, meaning the present Secretary of the Treasury. Harry White said that he didn't see the letter and then Morgenthau said, "Well, (laughs) does he play it close. Haven't you heard about it?" White said that he hadn't heard anything about it and then Morgenthau invited White to stop by his hotel room at the Shoreham Hotel on the following morning. Harry White agreed that he would see Morgenthau at that time. Later in the conversation Mr. Morgenthau stated that he was having dinner on the night of March 28 with Dean Acheson, Assistant Secretary of State. (S)(u)

The Washington Field Office advised by teletype on March 25, 1946, that information had been received through a [REDACTED] b1

ACTION: None. The above is being brought to your attention to show the further association between Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Jr., and subjects in the Silvermaster case as well as his pro-Russian activities and contacts. His dinner engagement with Dean Acheson is believed to be especially interesting in view of the allegations made concerning Acheson who has been referred to as being extremely pro-Russian. (S)(u)

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TO : D. M. LADD *[Signature]*
 FROM : J. C. STRICKLAND
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Reference is made to a memorandum from Mr. Harvey to you dated March 28, 1946, concerning the proposed dismissal of several employees of the State Department, including Joseph Gregg.

According to information received through a technical source on March 29, 1946, Joseph Gregg contacted his wife at 2:45 p.m. that date and talked to her about his leaving the State Department. Gregg said he contacted "him," probably referring to some superior at the State Department and gave him the "old song and dance about his wife and kids, buying a house, et cetera -- and tried to get him to come around to what comes of the charges." Gregg said that "he" would give no positive commitment that he would not press charges if Gregg resigned. Gregg stated if he resigns he would get sixty days which was plenty of time and all the time that he wants. He said if he doesn't need sixty days he will be free to leave sooner. Gregg said that he wants it on the record that he is resigning; that he is afraid if he does not resign immediately "it" will get past the charge of "false statement." Gregg said he is afraid of a double-cross by "him." Gregg stated that if he resigns the charges may be pressed anyhow. He concluded by saying that he would either resign this afternoon (March 29, 1946) or the first thing on Monday morning.

ACTION:

The above is for your information. The MI Summary covering the above conversation is attached hereto.

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TO : SAC, New York ~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~ DATE: March 25, 1946

FROM : John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

SUBJECT: ⁰ NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al;
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Reference is made to the New York teletype dated March 13, 1946, in the above-captioned matter wherein advice was received that Dr. A. G. Weinstein sent a telegram on March 12, 1946, to John Weber, 919 1/2 La Jolla, Hollywood, California, which contained the following message: "Lucille Elfenbein referred to you by close friend of mine."

The indices of the Bureau reflect that John Weber mentioned above is apparently identical with one John Weber, 919 1/2 North La Haya, Hollywood, California, who is President of the Screen Readers Guild, Hollywood, California and who has been mentioned in connection with the Comrap investigation.

Lucille Elfenbein is mentioned in the report of Special Agent Edward H. MacKenzie, New York, New York, dated November 13, 1942, in the case entitled "Sabine Kimmann, Espionage - G." During the investigation conducted by the New York Field Division in November, 1942, Lucille Elfenbein was associated with Minyette Ullman and was believed to be connected with the Larchmont Realty Board at Larchmont, New York. The residence address of Elfenbein is not known but Minyette Ullman at that time resided at 130-A Boston Post Road, Larchmont, New York.

The New York Field Division should make a discreet inquiry at Larchmont, New York, in order to determine if Lucille Elfenbein mentioned above is identical with the individual referred to by Dr. Weinstein and if so, to determine the reason for her name being referred to Weber as set out in the above telegram.

cc - Los Angeles
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NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS, ET AL, ESPIONAGE ~~RE~~ **CONFIDENTIAL**
SOURCE ADVISED THAT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] SUBJECT
GREGG ARRIVED WASHINGTON TWO TWENTYFIVE PM FEB. SIXTEEN FROM NEWARK.
OBSERVED CARRYING PACKAGE ~~BOX~~ APPARENTLY CONTAINING SHOES AND BROWN
LEATHER BRIEFCASE. SURVEILLED ON STREET CAR AND BUS TO RESIDENCE
WITHOUT MAKING ANY CONTACT. LATEST AVAILABLE INFORMATION FROM CONFIDEN-
TIAL SOURCE INDICATES THAT MRS. ^{Alger} HISS ~~WAS~~ ADVISED MARGO IN NEW YORK
THAT ALGER HISS PLANE WILL NOT ARRIVE UNTIL TONIGHT OR TOMORROW
MORNING. **CONFIDENTIAL** INFORMANT ADVISES [REDACTED]

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CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED ~~REDACTED~~ LILLIAN ~~KURASCH~~ CONSULTED BEATTIE
MAGDOFF CONCERNING PLAN TO FORM BRANCH OF LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OR
LEAGUE OF ~~WOMEN~~ WOMEN SHOPPERS IN HER RESIDENCE DEVELOPEMENT. BEATTIE
FAVORED LEAGUE OF VOTERS BECAUSE THEY REALLY PRESSURE CONGRESS AND
THE PRESIDENT. HER ONLY OBJECTION WAS THE NATIONAL OFFICE WAS ANTI
FEPC. MRS. MAGDOFF ENDEAVORED TO SECURE PHOTOGRAPHER AND REPORTER TO
PUBLICIZE A VOTING SURVEY THEY ARE CONDUCTING IN ALEXANDRIA, VA.
SUCCEEDED IN MAKING APPOINTMENT WITH DON ~~CORSON~~, DESCRIBED AS RESEARCH
CHIEF, WASHINGTON POST. MRS. MAGDOFF ALSO CONTACTED BY ONE TEEGE
KAUFMAN, PHONETIC, WHO ADVISED A FRIEND IS ENDEAVORING ORGANIZE WHITE
DC TEACHERS INTO CIO. TEEGE WANTED LIST SUGGESTED NAMES. BEATTIE
CONSULTED SUBJECT MAGDOFF EXPLAINING INFORMATION FOR ~~THEIR~~ TEEGE
WHOM THEY MET AT BETTY AND LEO ~~FISHMANS~~, AND THEN FURNISHED NAMES (S) u
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FOLLOWING WOMEN. MRS. FAYE GLASSER, MRS. HARRY PARENTHESIS (BESS) PARENTHESIS CLOSED MILLER, MRS. BEN HANDLER, MRS. EDWARD FITZGERALD MRS. DAVID ~~WEINTRAUB~~ WEINTRAUB, MRS. ARNOLD TOLLES, MRS. VICTOR PERLO AND MRS. SOLOMON LISCHINSKY. BEATTIE ALSO SUGGESTED MRS. MERRIAM, PHONETIC, AND ~~THAT~~ SUGGESTED MRS. ARTHUR STEIN COULD FURNISH HER FULL NAME AND ADDRESS. ON FEB. SIXTEEN, MRS. MAGDOFF CONTACTED LARRY POTAMKIN WHO DISCUSSED BANQUET OF LAWYERS GUILD AT MAYFLOWER HOTEL PREVIOUS NIGHT. CAROLINE POTAMKIN ALSO SPOKE TO BEATTIE, ADVISING ALL THE LIBERAL FORCES LEFT IN THE GOVT. WERE AT THE DINNER. CONFIDENT INFORMANT ADVISED ELEANOR DREISEN INQUIRED IF JOAN AND BERNIE REDMONT WOULD JOIN THEM ~~ON~~ MONDAY, APPARENTLY TO ATTEND BALTIMORE COMMUNIST MEETING. JOAN STATED BERNIE DID NOT LIKE THE LONG ~~TRIP~~ TRIP, BUT SHE WOULD TRY AND PERSUADE HIM TO ATTEND. ESPECIALLY SINCE THEY WONT BE DOING THAT SORT OF THING IN ARGENTINA. JOAN INDICATED SHE ~~WAS~~ WAS DETERMINED TO ACCOMPANY HIM EVEN IS SHE COULD NOT SECURE A PASS- ~~PORT~~ PORT TO ARGENTIAN SHE WOULD GO TO URUGUAY. TODAY ELIZABETH WASULY IDENTIFIED AS ONE OF LARGE ~~GROUP~~ GROUP PICKETING IN FRONT OF WHITE HOUSE. GROUP REPRESENTED FOOD, TOBACCO AND AGRICULTURAL WORKERS UNION CIO

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NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS, ET AL, ESPIONAGE R. AT NOON, APRIL ONE, CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED JOE GREGG CONTACTED ROSE, ADVISING HE ARRIVED THIS MORNING AND FIRST THING SHE SAID QUOTE WE HAVE NO JOB FOR YOU, NO MONEY FOR YOU. YOU'LL HAVE TO GET ANNUAL LEAVE TODAY UNQUOTE. JOE STATED HE GOT MAD, BUT EVIDENTLY SHE HAD INSTRUCTIONS FROM MCCOY. HE STATED HE COULD TRY AND BLUFF MCCOY TO KEEP HIM ON PAYROLL, BUT BOTH DECIDED THERE WAS NOT MUCH THEY COULD DO. ROSE STATED SHE THOUGHT THEY WOULD JUST GO HOME, AND JOE INDICATED HE DID NOT WANT TO SHOCK THEM, APPARENTLY FAMILY. ON THIS DATE, CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED ROSE GREGG MADE RESERVATION FOR SELF PCA, DEPART WASHINGTON NINE FIFTEEN AM TOMORROW, ARRIVE DETROIT ELEVEN FIFTYFIVE, THENCE TO LONDON, CANADA, VIA CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAY, LEAVING DETROIT ONE NAUGHT FIVE PM, ARRIVING LONDON FOUR THIRTY PM TOMORROW. TENTATIVELY ARRANGED RETURN APRIL EIGHT REVERSING TRIP. ON SAME DATED, CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED ERNA ROSENBERG CONTACTED BY UNKNOWN WOMAN, BELIEVED FAYE GLASSER. ERNA INDICATED SHE AND ALLAN ARE HAVING DOMESTIC TROUBLES AND ALLAN WOULD HAVE TO MAKE UP THIS TIME. (SAME DATED, CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT ADVISED MARY JANE KEENEY CONTACTED HELEN SILVERMASTER INQUIRING IF HELEN IS FREE SATURDAY NIGHT.

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HELEN INDICATED SHE THOUGHT SO AND MARY STATED SHE PLANNED GATHERING OF
COUN DEPENDING UPON WHETHER SOME OTHER PEOPLE WERE AVAILABLE. ON
EVENING APRIL ONE, CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT RELATED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] (C) CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT,
ON APRIL ONE, ADVISED PEARL AXELROD REQUESTED BEATTIE MAGDOFF TO
ACCOMPANY HER TO HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING ON FARM LABOR FOLLOWING
DAY, STATING CY AXELROD MAY TESTIFY. BEATTIE DECLINED BECAUSE OF
MEETING. PEARL THOUGHT CONGRESSMAN SABATH WAS CHAIRMAN AND BEATTIE
EXPRESSED HER APPROVAL. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, ON APRIL ONE, ADVISED
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(C) ON APRIL ONE, JOAN REDMONT CONTACTED GRACE LINES
CONCERNING HER PASSAGE TO VALPARAISO, CHILE, WHICH ADVISED MAY BE JULY

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OR AUGUST BEFORE SERVICE AVAILABLE. SUGGESTED SHE ENDEAVOR SECURE PLANE RESERVATIONS IN MEANTIME. APPARENTLY JOAN STILL INTENDS TO FOLLOW SUBJECT REDMONT SEVERAL MONTHS LATER. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, ON APRIL ONE, ADVISED JENNIE MILLER GIVING PARTY SEVEN THIRTY PM FRIDAY CELEBRATING BOB MILLERS BIRTHDAY. INVITED SILVERMASTERS AND HALPERINS.

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Transmit the following message to:

NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS, ET AL, ESPIONAGE, R. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE
ADVISED THAT ONE CARL PARENTHESIS PROHETIC PARENTHESIS PRESENTLY RESIDING
TEMPORARILY ON KING PHILIP ROAD, SCOTT, CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS. CARL
HAS POSITION AS PROFESSOR AT EITHER HARVARD OR MIT, ROOM TWO TWO SEVEN SEVEN.
INDIVIDUAL REFERRED TO AS CARL BELIEVED TO BE CARL SPALIN OR HAREN DEUTSCH,
FORMER EMPLOYEES OF STATE DEPARTMENT IN WASHINGTON. BOSTON REQUESTED TO MAKE
DISCREET CHECK TO DETERMINE IDENTITY OF CARL AND TO ASCERTAIN HIS PRESENT
POSITION.

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cc - Washington Field Office (by mail)
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Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: April 2, 1946

FROM : SAC, Richmond

SUBJECT: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was ET AL
ESPIONAGE - R

Re: HARRY MAGDOFF

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On March 12, 1946 the Washington Field Office by letter requested the Richmond Office to obtain background information concerning one HAROLD WEIN, 1300 Tuckahoe Street, Falls Church, Virginia in connection with the above entitled case with particular reference to one HARRY MAGDOFF.

A review of the file in the Richmond Office indicates that the HARRY WEIN mentioned in the Washington Field Letter of March 12, is no doubt identical with HAROLD HERMAN WEIN, previously investigated by this office as a departmental applicant - Economist. Accordingly, two copies of the report of Special Agent JAMES F. DURKIN, JR. dated April 1, 1946 entitled HAROLD HERMAN WEIN, DEPARTMENTAL APPLICANT - ECONOMIST are being enclosed herewith to the Washington Field Office.

This matter is being brought to the attention of the Bureau for its information.

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TO : SAC, New York **PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL** DATE: March 25, 1946
FROM : John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
SUBJECT: **NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al;**
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Reference is made to the report of Special Agent Edward W. Dooley, New York City, dated March 1, 1946, in the above-captioned matter wherein on page 78 reference was made to a conversation between a girl named Rose who is employed in the office of Dr. Abraham B. Weinstein in New York City and Betty Heart, Dr. Weinstein's secretary, on February 1, 1946. Rose told Betty that a party named Gregg had left the office without signing ten checks and she desired to know how to contact him. Betty stated that he had left and that he lives in Washington and was leaving for Washington that night but that he would be back in two weeks or so and that he could sign the checks at that time. It is believed that the individual referred to as Gregg is Joseph B. Gregg, a subject of instant investigation who, it is known, was in New York City on February 1, 1946.

Further reference is made to a teletype from the Washington Field Division dated March 18, 1946, concerning a letter addressed to Joseph Gregg in Washington from the offices of Dr. Weinstein. With further reference to this letter, the Washington Field Office has advised that the following information was obtained from [REDACTED] This informant made available to the Washington Field Office the following letter dated February 1, 1946, and which was on the stationery of Dr. Abraham B. Weinstein and bore the address of his office in New York City:

"Dear Mr. Gregg:

In our great hurry to leave the office we have overlooked to give you another check book which contained ten more checks of the series of the 32 so we will hold them for you to sign when you next come into the office.

Yours very truly,

Dr. A. B. Weinstein
Per R.G.

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The above letter was handwritten and was possibly written by one of the employees of Dr. Weinstein's office. It is further believed that the initials "R.G." may be those of the girl named Rose mentioned in the conversation on February 1, 1946, set out above.

The report of Special Agent Dooley, New York City, dated March 1, 1946, further reflects that on February 15, 1946, through physical surveillance it was determined that Joseph B. Gregg visited the offices of Dr. Weinstein in New York City and remained there from 10:00 AM until 1:10 PM. It is possible that Gregg could have obtained the above mentioned check book on the occasion of this visit.

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Investigation in the past has shown that Gregg has visited Dr. Weinstein's office for dental treatment on many occasions, some of which were visits under unusual circumstances. Recently, Gregg is known to have made the remark that Dr. Weinstein has completed the treatments on his teeth. However, it is noted that he has made several visits to Weinstein's office since making such remark. According to a teletype received from the Washington Field Office dated March 19, 1946, Gregg contacted Maurice Halperin on March 18, 1946, at which time Halperin inquired concerning Gregg's teeth and they engaged in a considerable amount of discussion concerning Gregg's dental work. It appears that this conversation was genuine since they discussed the unusual nature of the work performed by Dr. Weinstein and Gregg's ability to do so without any difficulty. Since this conversation, it is known that Gregg has again visited the offices of Dr. Weinstein, leaving Washington on or about March 20, 1946. (S) u

With respect to the checks mentioned above, it is obvious that the incident where Gregg was requested to pick up the checks is highly unusual and a transaction which is not ordinarily carried on between a doctor and a patient. It further appears that Gregg has signed other checks on behalf of or with the knowledge of Weinstein.

The New York and New Haven Field Divisions should immediately examine the bank accounts of Dr. Abraham Weinstein and his brother Morris Weinstein as well as the accounts of their wives, and the accounts of any other relatives which these offices feel would likely be used by the Weinstein's as a clearing house for their funds, in order to attempt to locate the checks signed by Gregg referred to above.

The Washington Field Office should attempt to locate the bank account of Joseph Gregg and his wife in Washington and examine same for the purpose of locating these checks.

Efforts should be made by all offices to attempt to determine the meaning of the "checks of the series of the 32" mentioned by Weinstein which may assist in further investigation of this case or in the location and identification of these checks.

The New York Field Division should attempt to identify the individual who signed the above letter on behalf of Weinstein using the initials "R.G." An effort should also be made to identify Betty Heart and determine her background since it is apparent that she has knowledge of the transaction and the activities being carried on between Weinstein and Gregg. (S) u

The Washington Field Office should furnish to the Bureau a copy of the letter between Dr. Weinstein and Joseph Gregg dated February 1, 1946, in order that appropriate examination of the handwriting contained thereon might be made by the Laboratory.

It is expected that this matter will be afforded immediate attention and a report be forwarded to the Bureau in the near future.

cc - New Haven
Washington

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United States Department of Justice
 Washington Field Office, 1435-37 K St., N.W.
 Washington 25, D. C.
 April 5, 1946



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Director, FBI

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MAURICE HALPERIN
 RE: **SECURITY MATTER**

Dear Sir:

It is recommended that a Security Index card be prepared relative to the individual named below:

Name: **MAURICE HALPERIN** ①
 Aliases: "Maury", Maurice Halpern
~~Halperin~~

Residence Address: **9956 Georgia Avenue**
Silver Spring, Maryland

Business Address: **Unemployed (formerly with State Department)**

☒ Native Born ☐ Alien ☐ Naturalized
☒ Communist ☐ German ☐ Miscellaneous
☐ Fascist (Italian) ☐ Japanese ☐

Date of Birth March 3, 1906
 Place of Birth Boston, Massachusetts
 Entered U. S. _____ at _____
 Naturalized (date) _____
 Naturalized (place and Court) _____

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Very truly yours,

Guy Hottel
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Special Agent in Charge

Baltimore, Maryland

RE: SECURITY MATTER

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that a security index card has been prepared at the Bureau, captioned as follows:

HALPERIN, MAURICE
With aliases: "Murry",
Maurice Halpern

NATIVE BORN

COMMUNIST

9956 Georgia Avenue
Silver Spring, Maryland (Res.)

Unemployed

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Very truly yours,

☆ JUL 3 - 1946 P.M.

E. Hoover

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cc: Washington

HR:alo'd

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER WITH ALIASES, ET AL, ESPIONAGE - R
DR. ABRAHAM WOLFSON DETERMINED BY NEWARK TO RESIDE AT FIVE FIVE SPRUCE
ST., NEWARK. HARRY WHITE IS STAYING AT WOLFSON RESIDENCE. LAST
FRIDAY NIGHT, WOLFSON AND WHITE SPENT ABOUT FOUR HOURS AT ONE FIVE ONE
CENTRAL PARK WEST, NEW YORK CITY, PRESUMABLY VISITING WITH DOCTOR
MARTIN WANGH AND ANN WANGH AT THAT ADDRESS. IT WILL BE RECALLED THAT
WHITE VISITED WANGH-S APARTMENT ON PREVIOUS OCCASION. NEWARK ADVISES
WHITE LEFT WOLFSON-S APARTMENT LATE THIS MORNING, ATTENDING A MOVIE THIS
AFTERNOON. NO SPECIFIC REASON FOR HIS VISIT TO WOLFSON THUS FAR APPARENT
JOSEPH GREGG AFTER LEAVING DR. A. B. WEINSTEIN-S OFFICE LAST FRIDAY,
VISITED FIFTEEN OR TWENTY DEPARTMENT STORES AND IT WAS EVIDENT FROM HIS
TACTICS THAT HE WAS ATTEMPTING TO DETERMINE WHETHER UNDER SURVEILLANCE.
HE RETURNED TO HARRY GREENSTEIN-S HOME FOR THE NIGHT AND TOOK TEN FORTY
FIVE A. M. TRAIN TO WASHINGTON ON SATURDAY.

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cc: Mr. W. C. Sullivan

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INVESTIGATION REVEALS MRS. MICHAEL GREENBERG RESIDES AT FOUR EIGHT EIGHT FOUR MAC ARTHUR AVENUE, N. W., WASHINGTON, D. C. SHE TOLD INFORMANT THAT HER HUSBAND WORKS FOR QUOTE MR. BYRNES UNQUOTE, AND IS LEAVING FOR TOKYO IN IMMEDIATE FUTURE. IN VIEW OF IMMINENT DEPARTURE, SUGGESTED WASHINGTON FIELD ATTEMPT TO SURVEILL FROM RESIDENCE TO GOVERNMENT OFFICE SO THAT PRESENT EMPLOYMENT MAY BE ESTABLISHED. ~~X~~ CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED TODAY THAT [REDACTED]

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WASHINGTON FROM BOSTON

DIRECTOR

URGENT

NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS, ETAL, ESPIONAGE R. REFERENCE
YOUR TELETYPE YESTERDAY. KARL DEUTSCH NOW RESIDING AT MASSASOIT
STREET, SOUTH SUDBURY. EMPLOYED AS TEACHER IN HISTORY DEPARTMENT
AT MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY.

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Set out below is background information concerning Ursula Wassermann who recently assumed considerable prominence in connection with the above case and particularly in connection with its ramifications in New York City. This background information has been received by the Bureau from [redacted]

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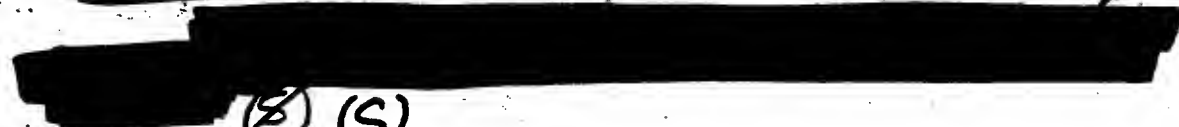
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Any further information concerning Wassermann which may be received from this source will, of course, be made available to you.

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Re: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER,
with aliases, et al;
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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to New York teletype to the Bureau of March 4, 1946, setting out information to the effect that URSULA WASSERMAN, a contact of JULE KORCHIEN, associate of ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, departed from the United States via the S. S. Pacific Express for Buenos Aires at 5:00 p.m., March 1 instant. Reference teletype pointed out that through the cooperation of U. S. Customs an address book and certain papers carried by WASSERMAN were made available, and that in the address book appeared the names and addresses of ARTHUR ADAMS, J. B. ARANOFF, and a number of other individuals whose names are well known to the Bureau in connection with Espionage - R and related investigations.

At the time the address book was made available it was photographed by Special Agents of the New York Office. A list of the names and identifying information contained in the address book has been prepared in alphabetical order and two copies of same are forwarded as enclosures with this letter for an appropriate check against Bureau indices.

Also enclosed herewith are two copies of a photograph of URSULA WASSERMAN which were obtained during the course of this investigation. The Bureau may desire to make copies of this photograph available to *[redacted]*

For the further information of the Bureau, there is set out herewith additional background information and identifying data concerning URSULA WASSERMAN:

URSULA WASSERMAN was born March 10, 1913, at Hamburg, Germany. She is described as 5' 4" in height, weighing 130 lbs., and as having brown hair. As is apparent from the photograph and as agents of this office have observed, she could well be described as having Negroid facial characteristics.

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URSULA WASSERMAN arrived in the United States on February 23, 1939, and was naturalized August 1, 1944. She was formerly employed by the Office of War Information, by the International Labor Office - Montreal, and by the British Information Service, all employment being in New York City as far as is known. She is by occupation an editor and is reported to have functioned as the editor of the "Black Book," which is described as a publication of Jewish Communists edited in the United States. The book is believed to be concerned with the Nazi treatment of the Jews in Germany.

URSULA WASSERMAN travelled on passport number 128716 issued at Washington, D. C., December 20, 1945, and she has a visa which expires May 16, 1946. According to information received her brother, ~~ERNEST~~ WASSERMAN, resides at 1906 Melian, Buenos Aires.

As was pointed out in reference teletype, WASSERMAN had in her possession certain letters of introduction to persons in the U. S. Embassy in Buenos Aires and to the Tass News Agency correspondent at Montevideo, Uruguay. Photographic copies of these documents and of several other documents in her possession were also obtained and they will be furnished to the Bureau as soon as additional copies can be made.

Very truly yours,

E. E. Conroy
E. E. CONROY,
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Photograph taken 1942

Age - 30

Born - 3/10/15

Place - Hamburg, Germany

Height - 5'4"

Weight - 125 lbs.

Hair - Black

Eyes - Brown

Complexion - Medium

URSULA IRENE WASSEPMANN

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Mr. Tamm

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There is transmitted herewith a list of names and identifying information contained in the address book of Ursula Wasserman furnished by the New York Field Division by letter dated March 5, 1946. You will recall that this address book was in Wasserman's possession at the time she departed from the United States via the S. S. "Pacific Express" for Buenos Aires, Argentina, on March 1, 1946.

It is interesting to note that this list contains the names of Cynthia and John Merkes, 476 H Street, Southwest, Washington, D. C., indicated as employees of the Treasury Department; Jack Fahy, 1042 - 30th Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C.; Ruth Gruber, Interior Department Lieutenant Colonel Bernard Bernstein, Hotel Statler, Washington, D. C., of whom have contacted subjects in this case being investigated by Washington Field Office.

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Hollywood, Calif. Wyoming 9410

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Hotel Peter Cooper,
39th St. & Lexington, NYC. CA 5-2670

*ADAMS, JULIA PLATT
North Madison, Conn.

*ARAISON, TIM & FRICKA (?) ARANSON?
640 W. 153rd St., NYC ED 4-8112

*ARANOFF, G.B. (or L.B.)
29 E. 11th St., NYC GR 3-3579

*ARON, LUDWIG
72-38 113th St.,
Forest Hills, N.Y. BO 3-2466

*ASCOLI, MAX
23 Gramercy Park, NYC

*BACHRACH, MARIAN
Council F. Pan Amer.
23 W. 26th St., NYC MU 4-6465

*BARNES, JOSEPH
NY HT 230 W. 41st St., NYC PE 6-4000

*BERISH, ELIZABETH

*BERMAN, DR.
Santiago, Chile

*BERNHARD, CAROLYN
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Washington, D.C. DU 6000

*BERNSTEIN, BERNARD COL.
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41-36 51st St.,
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BO 9-3989

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21 E. 14th St., NYC

*BLOCH, ANNE L.
68-12 Yellowstone Blvd.
Forest Hills, NY HA 3-9126

*BLOCH, KURT
Fortune 350 5th Ave.
NYC LO 5-1040

*BOYCETT (?), J.A. (or T.A.)
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London, NW 3

*BRANIN, JOSEPH
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*BREMAN, FRANCIS
McCall's 230 Park Ave.
NYC

*BUCHAN, DENCHE (?)
B.B.C. 630 5th Ave.
NYC CI 7-0656

*BUCKINGHAM, ROB ROY (NANCY McHENRY)
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*BURNETT, SUSAN
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*CAMMER, MOE
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2712 South Adams, Arlington, Va.
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*CECIL, ROBERT (LORD)
16 Sentutaten Pl.
London, S.W.I.

*CENAL, BARNEY
Voters Research Institute of America
305 B. W., NYC
Phone: Worth 2-3145

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X COLBERT, SYLVIA
138 E. 34th St., NYC
Phone: MU 6-4816
MU 3-2082

X COLBY, MERLE
ORA
Washington, D.C.

X COVEY, ESTHER
84 Grove St., NYC
Phone: CH 2-8357

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Dept. Commerce, Washington, D.C.

X DANIEL, MAX
Lorebe 1717
B.A.

X DANIELS, L.E.
522 5th Ave., NYC
Phone: VA 6-0865

X DELOCERO, JACK
110 Anis Sepie St., NYC
Phone: CH 2-2579

X DE-LOS-RIOS, A.
202 W. 92 St., NYC
EN 2-4483

X DIERKES, CYNTHIA
476 N St., S.W. Washington, DC
Treasury
Phone: EX 7236

X DIERKES, JOHN
476 N St., S.W.
Washington, DC
Treasury
Phone: EX 7236

X DIVVER, PATRICIA
Fortune - 350 Fifth Avenue, NYC
LO 5-1040

X DOCLAL, KAREL
781 8th Avenue, NYC
CI 5-9158
NE 8-6188

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112 Mercer St.
Princeton, N.J.
Phone: 1606

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Branden, VE (?)

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Foreign Office,
Whitehall, London.

~~X~~ FEESE, KABE ~~Freesse~~
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S.N. 8-9261

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29 E. 10th St., NYC
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~~X~~ FISH, A.
215 Vullum Pk. Rd.
London, N.W. 6 (?)

~~X~~ FORD, RICHARD R.
UNRRA
11 Portland Pl. London, W.I.
Langham 3090

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129 E. 17th St., NYC
GR 4-2269

~~X~~ FOX, MEL
380 Riverside Dr.
NYC
Phone: UN 4-5762

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380 Riverside Dr. NYC
Phone: UN 4-5762

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~~GOOCH, G.P.~~
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~~GRAU, BERTIE~~
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NYC
PL 5-0140

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~~HAME', JOSEPH~~
USR CONSULATE
NYC
CO 5-1914

~~HANSEN, JAMES H.~~
25 Vandam St., NYC

~~HARTWELL, AL~~
Sunnyside, L.I.
IR 6-8891

~~HAYMES, DUNCAN (MRS.) (BACHRACH)~~
B.A.

~~HELLER, JUDITH~~
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TR 7-6891

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Anchorena 1338
B.A.

*HOWE', HOSEPH
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NYC
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NYC

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NYC 62

UN 3-7406

X KASKELINE, EGON
29 EAST 11th St.
NYC

GR 3-0368

X KLEEBOURG, LUDWIG
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RIVERDALE, N. Y.

KI 3-0189

X KNAPP, JOHN P.
US. OWI
APO 627 US ARMY

X KOPPEL, LEOPOLD
SEA VIEW HOSPITAL
STATEN ISLAND, NY

X Mac AUSLAND, E. R. (GOURMET)
HOTEL PLAZA
NYC

X MAGER, BELLE
TREASURY DEPT.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

X MANDELKORN, ABE
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Washington, DC

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NYC OR 4-1710

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South Bend, 17, Ind.

~~X~~ MEICHER, DANIEL
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Washington, DC Washington, DC EX 7236

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XIAN SEI HAN
B. A.

~~X~~ MILLS, MITZI H.
25 Netherhall Gdns. ✓
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BROOKLYN, NY MA 5-1492

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✓ OPPENHEIMER, HANS
666 West End Ave.
NYC EN 2-0589

✓ OPPENHEIMER, SIEGFRIED
HOTEL STANDISH HALL
NYC TR 7-5425

✓ OSTROW, HERMAN
30 West 59th St.
NYC

✓ PADOVER, SAUL
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✓ PILLEY, JOHN G.
DEPT. EDUC.
WELLESLEY COLLEGE, MASS.

✓ PINERO, JESUS
HOUSE OFFICE BLDG
WASHINGTON, D.C.

✓ POSNER, HAROLD
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New Rochelle, NY NR 6-5731

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Nashville, Tenn. OR 7-4333

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5514 First St. NW
Washington, DC Randolph 6292

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10 Downing St.
NYC

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X BROTHSCHILD, JOHN
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NYC AL 4-7733

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NYC EL 5-2224

X SCHULKIND, ADELAIDE
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NYC NYC

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X SEYMOUR

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LYNTEN, UPTON LANE
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X SILLS, BEN
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NYC CH 3-4711

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X SMEDLEY, AGNES
166 W. 87th St.
NYC

SC 4-1000

X SPEAKS, ELLA
PO BOX 233
Frederick, Md.

X STEAD, CHRISTINA
21 E. 14th St.
NYC

GR 7-2966

X STEFANSSON, VILJAMUR (?)
67 Morton St.
NYC

WA 5-5516
WA 5-5623

X STEVENSON, HELEN
ABBETS HOUSE, BRIGHTWELL
WALLINGFORD, BUCKS.

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March 6, 1946

Director, FBI

Re: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER,
with aliases, et al;
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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter from the New York Office to the Bureau dated March 5, 1946, wherein it was stated that photographic copies of certain documents found in the possession of ~~URSULA WASSERMAN~~, a contact of ~~JULES KORCHIEN~~, associate of ~~ABRAHAM BROTHMAN~~, would be forwarded to the Bureau. In accordance therewith, there are being enclosed two copies of each of the following:

Letter addressed to Mr. Charles Gutwirth, U. S. Embassy, Buenos Aires, Argentina, signed by Belle Mayer of the General Counsel's Office, State Department.

Letter addressed to Ursula Wasserman, 110 Christopher Street, New York, signed by Hans Freeman, on the stationery of the Tass Telegraph Agency of the U.S.S.R.

Letter addressed to Grigori ~~X~~ Stepanian, Tass correspondent, Montevideo, Uruguay, signed by Hans Freeman, on the stationery of the Tass Telegraph Agency.

Face sheet of a printer's copy of the ~~"Black Book."~~ It is to be noted that Wasserman had the printer's copy of this book in her possession and it was not bound but was in loose-leaf form.

Letter to Sue Burnett, U. S. Embassy, Buenos Aires, Argentina,
signed by Belle Mayer.

Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY,

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February 16, 1946

Grigori Stepanian
Tass Correspondent
Montevideo, Uruguay

Dear Grigori,

This will introduce Ursula Wasserman, a friend of mine, who is going to Argentina to do some magazine articles. You will find her a very well-informed as well as a charming acquaintance.

With warm greetings,

Har, Fauna

Washington, D. C.
February 6, 1946

Mr. Charles Gutwirth
U. S. Embassy
Buenos Aires, Argentina

Dear Charles:

This will introduce to you Ersala Wasserman,
a good friend of mine and of several of our colleagues.
Ersala expects to be in Argentina for awhile and I am
sure you will find her most congenial. Any tips you
may be able to give her on logging, where-to-find-scotch,
and who's who about town will be greatly appreciated
by me.

Sincerely,

Ellen K. Mays

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Washington, D. C.
February 6, 1946

Miss Sue Burnett
U. S. Embassy
Buenos Aires, Argentina

Dear Sue:

This will introduce to you Ercala Wasserman
who will be in Argentina on an extended visit. Ercala
is a friend of mine and I am sure you will find her
congenial. I shall be very grateful for any assistance
you can give her.

Sincerely .

Allen Tracy

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TASSBURO.
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February 16, 1946

Ursula Wasserman
110 Christopher Street
New York, New York

Dear Ursula,

Here is that letter of introduction I promised to send you. Unfortunately I do not know Stepanian's address in Montevideo, but I'm sure that you'll have no trouble locating him.

With best wishes,

Harry Freeman

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Date: March 18, 1946

To: Legal Attache
Buenos Aires, Argentina

From: John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: NATHAN GRIMMY SILVERMASTER, was, et al;
URSULA IRVING WASSERMAN, was Ursula Wasserman,
Ursula Wasserman
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Reference is made to my radiogram dated March 18, 1946, to the Legal Attaches receiving copies of this letter regarding the above matter and particularly the trip of Ursula Wasserman to Montevideo and Buenos Aires. Enclosed for your further information and assistance are two copies of a photograph of Ursula Wasserman. Set out below are the letters being carried by her which were referred to in my radiogram of March 18th.

Washington, D. C.
February 8, 1946

Miss Sue Burnett
U. S. Embassy
Buenos Aires, Argentina

Dear Sue:

This will introduce to you Ursula Wasserman who will be in Argentina on an extended visit. Ursula is a friend of mine and I am sure you will find her congenial. I shall be very grateful for any assistance you can give her.

Sincerely,

/s/ Belle Mayer

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Washington, D. C.
February 8, 1946

Mr. Charles Entwirth
U. S. Embassy
Buenos Aires, Argentina

Dear Charles:

- Tolson
- E. A. Tamm
- Clegg
- Glavin
- Ladd
- Nichols
- Rosen
- Tracy
- Carson
- Egan
- Gurnea
- Harbo
- Hendon
- Quinn Tamm
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This will introduce to you Ursula Wasserman, a good friend of mine and of several of our colleagues. Ursula expects to be in Argentina

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Legal Attache
Buenos Aires, Argentina

March 19, 1946

"For awhile and I am sure you will find her most congenial. Any tips you may be able to give her on lodging, where-to-find-eatery, and who's who about town will be greatly appreciated by me.

Sincerely,

/s/ Belle Meyer"

"February 16, 1946

"Ursula Wasserman
110 Christopher Street
New York, New York

Dear Ursula,

Here is that letter of introduction I promised to send you. Unfortunately I do not know Stepanian's address in Montevideo, but I'm sure that you'll have no trouble locating him.

With best wishes,

/s/ Hans Freeman"

"February 16, 1946

"Grigori Stepanian
Press Correspondent
Montevideo, Uruguay

Dear Grigori,

This will introduce Ursula Wasserman, a friend of mine, who is going to Argentina to do some magazine articles. You will find her a very well-informed as well as a charming acquaintance.

With warm greetings,

/s/ Hans Freeman"

There is set out below certain background information concerning Ursula Irene Wasserman prepared under date of [REDACTED]

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The above captioned case, for your further information and assistance in connection with this matter, involves the investigation of several Soviet espionage parallels comprising a large number of Soviet agents operating under the NKVD and employed primarily in agencies and Departments of the United States Government. The Soviet agents involved in this case have for several years been arranging for the transmittal to the Soviet Union through the Soviet intelligence services copies of voluminous quantities of confidential documents abstracted from the files of the United States Government.

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In connection with the above case, confidential Bureau sources in [redacted] b1

As soon as this information is received, it will, of course, be furnished you for your further assistance in connection with the above case. (c)

In the meantime, it is desired that copies of your letters to the Bureau dated March 5 and 6, 1946, together with copies of the enclosures thereto be furnished the Washington Field Office for their information in connection with the above investigation, it being noted that the Washington Field Office was furnished a copy of your teletype to the Bureau dated March 12, 1946, concerning Wasserman.

In view of the information recently developed concerning Wasserman and her activities in connection with the above and other cases, it is desired that most intensive attention be given to this particular phase of the above case.

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SYNOPSIS:

DONALD ~~LEE~~ WEST, GERTRUDE RIENT GANGADAREN and LEO HUBERMAN, contacts of CEDRIC BELFRAGE, identified. RAY ELSON's current activities apparently routine. Her recent contacts identified. RAY said she and husband receiving dental treatment from prominent dentist, a former employer of RAY, who does their work for a nominal cost because of earlier patronage. [redacted] b1

Confidential Informant GREGORY believes one FRANK COE, of Treasury Department, furnished information to SILVERMASTERS sometimes via HARRY D. WHITE. Recalls also that NORMAN FURSNER (ph.), an attorney in Anti-Trust Division of Justice Department, furnished material to HELEN SILVERMASTER. "New York World-Telegram" article, 1-29-46, attacked excessive charges on packages sent to Russia via U. S. SERVICE & SHIPPING CORP. and WORLD TOURISTS. Did not name Informant or JOHN H. REYNOLDS. AMTORG has demanded copy of contract between U. S. SERVICE & SHIPPING and INTOURIST; not furnished to [redacted] b1

[redacted] No significant contacts made by MAURICE HALPERIN in NYC 1/23-25/46, although he may have registered at hotel under assumed name. ABRAHAM BROTHMAN's activities appear to be of business nature. [redacted] b1

[redacted] ERICK C. MILLS, contacted by WM. REMINGTON 1-28-46, identified. Several accounts of JOHN H. REYNOLDS examined; also, routine small account of PETER RHODES, who is moving to Amenia, N.Y. DONALD WEST, ANNA LOUISE STRONG, BARNEY JOSEPHSON, RAY and JOSEPH ELSON, et al, have been in contact with Dr. A. B. WEINSTEIN's office, apparently in connection with dental work. GREGORY failed to identify recent photo of WEINSTEIN. LAUHLIN CURRIE departed for England 1-14-46. Background information on ALBERT E. KAHN and DUNCAN C. LEE set out. [redacted] b1

REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent EDWARD W. DOOLEY, dated 1-28-46, at New York.

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DETAILS:

The title of this case is being marked "Changed" to reflect the full and complete name of subject Lieutenant Colonel DUNCAN CHAPLIN LEE.

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Re: CEDRIC HENNING BELFRAGE
alias Benjamin

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Lawrence W. Spillane:

On January 7, 1946, [REDACTED] advised that ^{b2} ^{b7D} MOLLY BELFRAGE had discussed the impending appearance of DON WEST before a group meeting. At that time MOLLY BELFRAGE stated that WEST is on sabbatical leave from a school at Lula, Georgia, where he is superintendent of the schools. She also stated that WEST was of original Georgian background and was presently attending Teachers' College, Columbia University, preliminary to his return to Georgia to run for Congress against Congressman Woods, of the reorganized Dies Committee. (X) 4

On January 3, 1946, [REDACTED] advised that ^{b2} ^{b7D} BELFRAGE was contacted by an individual who identified himself as CLAUDE and that a discussion took place at that time concerning a proposed meeting with a mutual friend (EARL BROWDER), to take place at 2:00 P. M. on January 4, 1946, at 55 West 42nd Street, New York City. At that time the unidentified CLAUDE stated that he had received a telegram from DON advising of this meeting. (X) 4

It has previously been reported that a physical surveillance was conducted to identify the unknown individuals who would be present with EARL BROWDER and BELFRAGE, and, as a result of this surveillance, it is noted that an unknown individual who was later identified as DONALD LEE WEST was surveilled to FURNALD HALL, a dormitory at Columbia University, New York City.

The registrar's office at Teachers' College, Columbia University, reflected that DONALD LEE WEST was a student at Teachers' College of Columbia University, where he had been since September, 1945, and that he did reside in room 427, FURNALD HALL, at Columbia University. He is registered at Teachers' College for the winter session, 1945-1946, which will be completed at the end of January, 1946. WEST is studying "Guided Professional Development," a university seminar on rural life. These records further reflect that WEST was born on June 6, 1908, at Cantecay, Georgia, and that his permanent residence is Lula, Georgia. His references were listed as Dr. ALVA W. TAYLOR, 101 Bowling Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee, and JOHN E. JONES, postmaster at Lula, Georgia.

A review of the files of the New York Field Division revealed that

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DONALD LEE WEST is the subject of an INTERNAL SECURITY - C file with Atlanta, Georgia, as origin. This file disclosed that WEST has long been known as a Communist sympathizer and as an active Communist in Georgia.

[REDACTED] advised that on January 21, 1946, b2 b7D
an individual by the name of FRIEDA contacted DONALD WEST while he was at the office of Dr. A. B. WEINSTEIN, 20 East 53rd Street, New York City. Further information regarding DON WEST'S contacts with the office of Dr. WEINSTEIN have been previously set out under the caption "Dr. ABRAHAM BENEDICT WEINSTEIN." (X) 4

On January 17, 1946, [REDACTED] revealed that b2 b7D
MOLLY BELFRAGE contacted LOUIS FISHER and advised him that her husband, CEDRIC BELFRAGE, had lunch yesterday with V. J. JEROME, during which time they discussed a controversy about EARL BROWDER. She further indicated that CEDRIC BELFRAGE told JEROME that he had two Communists, a leftist and a rightist, in his outfit in Germany who were always complaining about each other, and BELFRAGE was attempting to impress them of the necessity of working together. This informant further indicated that B. J. JEROME seemed impressed with this view and he desired to have a conference between JOE NORTH, Mr. and Mrs. BELFRAGE and several other individuals. (X) 4

On January 23, 1946, BELFRAGE was contacted by LEO LUBENDIN (phonetic), at which time a meeting was arranged for 1:00 P. M. on January 29, 1946, at 8 West 40th Street, twenty-first floor, New York City, which he stated is the firm of REYNAL & HITCHCOCK, INC., publishers. (X) 4

On January 25, 1946, this informant stated BELFRAGE contacted Mrs. TRUDA RIENT at Rector 2-4100, at which time he indicated that he would meet her on the following Tuesday at Grand Central Station. (X) 4 b2 b7D

On January 28, 1946, [REDACTED] advised that an unknown woman contacted BELFRAGE and indicated that Mr. HERMER went to Texas on business and she requested that their meeting for the following Wednesday be canceled and that BELFRAGE could see Mr. HERMER when he returned. (X) 4

A review of the files of the New York Field Division revealed that the file entitled "ALEXANDRE SEMENOVICH FOMINE, was.; INTERNAL SECURITY - R" indicated that Mrs. GERTRUDE RIENT GANGADAREN, with aliases TRUDA RIENT and TRUDA GANGADAREN, was employed in New York City by the British Government working as a translator in the office of the British Security Coordinator in 1943. This file further reflected that GANGADAREN was born in Czechoslovakia and that she married an individual from India and is presently

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a subject of Great Britain. It was further indicated that she became a Soviet citizen, was married in the USSR and that both she and her husband were medical students in Moscow, Russia. This file further reflected that her husband had been placed in a Soviet prison camp and no information has been received regarding him since that time. It is reported that she associated with a British Consul General at Moscow, Russia, in the summer of 1941 and that at that time she obtained a British passport which is believed to have been stolen, and that this passport was signed by the British Consul General while he was in an intoxicated condition. While in Moscow she lived with WILLIAM C. ARMSTRONG, who had been a clerk at the American Embassy and who was last reported as an employee of the office of Lend Lease under JOHN HAZZARD, 515 Second Street, Washington, D. C.

This file further reflected that for a short while GANGADAREN had been employed by the office of the United States Military Attache in Moscow, Russia, but that she had been discharged from this position because she was "too hot to handle." It was further reported that she has a son, PETER GANGADAREN, and that she makes frequent trips to Washington, D. C. It was further indicated that GANGADAREN was appointed as a clerk in the American Embassy at Moscow, Russia, on October 15, 1940, and she resigned on August 12, 1941. She was born on February 2, 1912, at Brunn, Czechoslovakia, and her father, FRANZ RIENT, who was born in Germany, died in 1934. It was further indicated that she came to the United States with JOHN MARSALKA, who had been a clerk in the American Embassy at Moscow, Russia.

This file further reflected that JOHN EDWARD WHITE, who had been in Russia during the late 1930's and who had contact with alleged OGPU agents in Russia, stated that he was acquainted with TRUDA GANGADAREN in Moscow, Russia. He advised that GANGADAREN was a woman who was continuously compl about the Soviet activities and would bring up that subject with all individuals she came in contact with, and WHITE further stated that anyone feeling sympathetic with her would naturally express his opinions also. WHITE stated that later he suspected she was connected with the GPU and that her sob stories were nothing more than a front in order to obtain information. He further indicated that he was of the opinion that she was connected with the GPU and that she probably had been instructed to check on his activities during the time that she resided in his apartment. At a later date WHITE told GANGADAREN that she would have to leave his apartment and she obtained a new apartment, much to his surprise, where WHITE had met one of the GPU agents. He stated that this apartment occupied by GANGADAREN was the identical apartment where he had previously met the GPU agent. He

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further indicated that it was extremely difficult to obtain an apartment in Moscow, Russia, at that time, and without some Russian official connection it was impossible to obtain an apartment in a good district.

WHITE further indicated that GANGADAREN always had a lot of money and he could never figure out where she was obtaining this, because she never worked. He further indicated that it was his opinion that GANGADAREN obtained a position in the American Embassy in Moscow, Russia, merely for the purpose of spying on them and reporting the Embassy activities to the GPU.

WHITE described GANGADAREN as follows:

Height:	5'4"
Weight:	130 lbs.
Build:	Husky
Hair:	Blond
Eyes:	Very attractive
Complexion:	Very beautiful
Marital status:	Married
Relatives:	Son, PETER
Languages:	Speaks very good English; also speaks German, French, Czechoslovakian and Russian.

On January 29, 1946, a physical surveillance was conducted on CEDRIC BELFRAGE by Special Agents Francis D. O'Brien and Lawrence W. Spillane.

At 12:45 P. M. on this date BELFRAGE was observed entering 8 West 40th Street, New York City, at which time he was carrying a brown leather zipper case.

At 12:55 P. M. BELFRAGE and an unknown man left 8 West 40th Street and proceeded to the Champs Elysees Restaurant, Madison Avenue and East 40th Street, New York City, where they had lunch. BELFRAGE and the unknown man left this restaurant and parted at 2:50 P. M. at 8 West 40th Street, New York City, and at that time BELFRAGE went to the Life Extension Building, 7-9 East 44th Street, New York City.

Upon leaving this building, BELFRAGE proceeded to the New York Public Library, 42nd Street and Fifth Avenue, New York City, where he entered at 3:14 P. M. and proceeded to the reading room, No. 315. At 4:10

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P. M. BELFRAGE was observed talking to an unknown man in the main lobby of the public library.

At 4:20 P. M. BELFRAGE left the public library and boarded a taxicab that took him to Abington Square, New York City, and BELFRAGE was observed entering 302 West 12th Street, New York City, at 4:29 P. M.

It is noted at this time that the address of 302 West 12th Street, New York City, is the address of MARK J. GAYN, one of the principal subjects in the PHILIP JACOB JAFFE, was., et al, file.

At 6:09 P. M. BELFRAGE left 302 West 12th Street, New York City, and boarded a subway with the final destination of Grand Central Station. BELFRAGE then entered a cocktail lounge of Churchill's Restaurant at 42nd Street and Park Avenue, where he appeared to be waiting for someone.

At 7:00 P. M. an unknown woman joined BELFRAGE for cocktails at his table at Churchill's Restaurant and they then entered the dining room of this restaurant, where they proceeded to have dinner.

At 9:52 P. M. on this date BELFRAGE and the unknown woman left Churchill's Restaurant and boarded a taxi with the final destination of 15 West 87th Street, New York City. BELFRAGE and the unknown woman then entered 15 West 87th Street at 10:10 P. M. and it was noted that the letter boxes at this address revealed that RIENT and GANGADAREN occupy one of the apartments at this address.

From the personal observation and a photograph of GERTRUDE RIENT GANGADAREN, with aliases, it is believed that the unknown woman who met BELFRAGE at Churchill's Restaurant can be identified as GERTRUDE RIENT GANGADAREN.

On January 30, 1946, a photograph of GERTRUDE RIENT GANGADAREN was shown to GREGORY, but she advised that she was not acquainted with and had not seen the individual in this photograph.

Regarding the individuals who contacted BELFRAGE on January 23, 1946, and whose name is believed to be LEO LUBENDIN, the telephone directory was examined for the various spellings of the name LUBENDIN and it was noted that LEO HUBERMAN resides at 66 Barrow Street, New York City. A review of the file entitled "LEO HUBERMAN; INTERNAL SECURITY - C" revealed that [REDACTED] whose identity is known to the

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Bureau, advised that HUBERMAN is currently the director of the PAMPHLET PRESS. A further examination of the New York telephone directory revealed that the PAMPHLET PRESS is located at 8 West 40th Street, New York City, and maintains the same telephone listing as REYNAL & HITCHCOCK, INC.

The above mentioned file reported that LEO and GERTRUDE HUBERMAN had been in almost daily contact with LOUISE ROSENBERG BRANSTEN and that BRANSTEN had lived for short periods with HUBERMAN. It is further noted that HUBERMAN resides at 66 Barrow Street, New York City, and was formerly employed by the U. S. INTERNATIONAL BOOK ASSOCIATION at 27 West 67th Street, New York City, and that he has associated with leading figures of the NMU as well as with prominent leaders of the Communist Party in the New York area.

It was further ascertained that HUBERMAN had been formerly employed as the public relations director of the NMU, 346 West 17th Street, New York City.

This file further revealed that while HUBERMAN was in San Francisco during January of 1943 he resided at the home of LOUISE BRANSTEN, during which time he was on union business, being frequently in contact with CIO and NMU officials.

A photograph of LEO HUBERMAN was obtained from the above and from an examination of this photograph by agents who observed BELFRAGE with the unknown man on January 29, 1946, it is believed that this individual who was seen with BELFRAGE is LEO HUBERMAN.

LEO HUBERMAN is described as follows:

Born:	10/17/03, Newark, N. J.
Height:	5'7"
Weight:	165 lbs.
Eyes:	Brown
Hair:	Brown
Marital status:	Married
Occupation:	Writer
Residence:	66 Barrow St., N. Y. City

As a result of a mail cover placed on CEDRIC BELFRAGE, it is revealed that he received mail from the following individuals: (4)

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>RECEIVED FROM</u>
1/9/46	Professor SERGE SHERMAYOFF Brooklyn College Brooklyn, N. Y.
Same date	NANCY C. WANGLEY 130 North Camellia Avenue West Los Angeles, Cal.
1/21/46	H— (illegible) HOGUE 46 Fairington Road Croton-on-the-Hudson, N. Y.
Same date	ABRAHAM LINCOLN SCHOOL 30 West Washington St. Chicago, Ill.
1/22/46	WERT 40 Primrose Gardens Apt. London, North West 3
1/23/46	427 Farnald Hall Columbia University
Same date	The Bell Syndicate, Inc. 247 West 43rd St. New York City
1/25/46	M. RAFFNEY 2330 Valentine Avenue New York

Regarding Professor SERGE IVAN ~~SHERMAYEFF~~, the files of the New York Field Division reveal that he was appointed as chairman of the Brooklyn College Art Department on February 1, 1942. It was further reflected that he was born on October 8, 1900, in Russia; that he spent ten years in England; that he is a British citizen; that he arrived in the United States in 1940; that he presently resides at 301 East 21st Street, New York City.

The files of the New York Field Division reflected that one ~~WENDELL HOGUE~~, 46 Farrington Road, Croton-on-the-Hudson, New York, is the

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principal of the Croton-on-the-Hudson High School. This file reflected that he was born at Franklinville, New York, is of Scotch descent and is a member of the CHARLES H. FOX American Legion Post No. 505. It is not known whether this individual is identical with HOGUE who corresponded with BELFRAGE.

It has previously been noted that LOUIS FISHER, who has been in frequent contact with MOLLY BELFRAGE, according to [REDACTED] is a well known writer. The files of the New York Field Division revealed that STEVE NELSON wrote to LILLIAN HELLMAN and stated that he met her in Valencia in 1937 with LOUIS FISHER. (S) (u) b2 b70

An examination of Who's Who in American Jewry revealed that LOUIS FISHER, writer, was born at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on October 11, 1885, that he had been a correspondent for The Nation in the USSR and that he is the author of numerous books, among which are "The Soviet in World Affairs" and "Why Recognize Russia."

An examination of the New York Herald Tribune dated May 11, 1941, revealed that LOUIS FISHER wrote "Men in Politics," an autobiography which deals for the most part with the experiences he had in Europe from 1918 to 1939. This article reflected that FISHER considered himself through with Russia when the purge took place and Russia regarded the Geneva conferences very lightly. FISHER interviewed many prominent Russian leaders and he personally knew many OGPU agents and Russian Commissars. FISHER stated "I am anti-Soviet now because I think the Soviet Government is doing more harm than good" and "Stalin made a fatal blunder by aligning himself with Hitler." It is further noted that LOUIS FISHER was interviewed regarding ARTHUR ALEXSANDROVICH ADAMS.

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Re: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN

The following investigation of the activities of ABRAHAM BROTHMAN covering the period from January 7 to February 4, 1946, is reported by Special Agent Francis D. O'Brien.

[redacted] whose identity is known to the Bureau, and who has observed the activities of BROTHMAN over a period of time, has advised that BROTHMAN has continued to work in his place of employment for the past month, with the exception of one week in January, which was believed to be January 7 to January 14, at which time BROTHMAN is reported to have been a guest of FRED BRIEHL, at his home in Kingston, New York. BRIEHL is a well-known Communist in the New York area. (S)(A) & 4

In conjunction with BROTHMAN's activities of a business nature, [redacted] reported that BROTHMAN held a conference with a Mr. BOWEN of the BOWEN ENGINEERING COMPANY, Garwood, New Jersey, at which time BROTHMAN advised BOWEN that he was developing resins for the Chinese Government. (S)(A) & 4

This same informant advised on February 4, 1946 that BROTHMAN indicated that he was desirous of publishing some articles on work in the chemical field and that he had contacted Mr. OLIVE of the MCGRAW HILL PUBLISHING COMPANY in connection with this publication. (S)(A) & 4

From this same informant, it was learned that a Mr. LUDWIG MUSET held a conference with BROTHMAN and during this conference, BROTHMAN indicated that he felt he had developed a polymerization method that could be patented. (S)(A) & 4

On January 16, 1946, [redacted] observed that BILL BROWDER, brother of EARL BROWDER, former Secretary of the Communist Party, USA, had been in touch with BROTHMAN's office in an attempt to interest them in his new pamphlet entitled, "Distributors Guide". This same informant has advised that BROTHMAN might possibly be attempting to do some technical work for the KAISER CORPORATION inasmuch as an official of that company had requested BROTHMAN's secretary to furnish the official with a biography of ABRAHAM BROTHMAN. (S)(A) & 4

[redacted] has advised that on January 22, 1945, one MILLY conferred with MIRIAM MARKOWITZ, secretary to ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, and asked her if she were doing anything to better herself as (S)(A) & 4

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a Communist Party member, stating that she has removed herself from the struggle. Continuing, MILLY told MIRIAM that she had no excuse now, inasmuch as she did not have to worry about her boss. (Apparently refers to BROTHMAN.) MILLY told MIRIAM that she should arrange her work so that she could go to the club and help out on the picket lines and also to do something in her community to let the people know what is going on and to combat the Christian frontists. MIRIAM agreed with MILLY and she promised that she would shortly be back in the field. Further investigation of the activities of MIRIAM MARKOWITZ is to be conducted and will be reported in the near future. (S) (M) (K) (4)

A mail cover has been placed on the business house of ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, 114 East 32 Street, New York City, and it appears that most of the mail received by the firm has been from legitimate business contacts. However, on January 22, 1946, a letter was addressed to ABRAHAM BROTHMAN ASSOCIATES, 114 East 32 Street, from the "MUSIC ROOM", 129 West 44 Street, New York City. The "MUSIC ROOM" is owned and operated by ERIC BERNAY and there is an active investigation being conducted in the New York Field Division on ERIC BERNAY. The character of this case is Internal Security-R. (S) (M) (K) (4)

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent MICHAEL M. O'ROURKE from January 7th to January 14th, 1946.

SURVEILLANCE

Spot check physical surveillances were maintained on CURRIE from January 2nd until the time of his departure for England on January 14, 1946.

Physical surveillance was conducted by Special Agent HOWARD C. KIEBE on January 2, 1946. CURRIE spent the most of his day at his home, 61 East 86th Street, and his office, the INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, 19 Rector Street. He also visited the Sherry-Netherland Hotel. It is believed that while at the Sherry-Netherland Hotel he visited LEO SPITZ. Background information concerning LEO SPITZ has been set out in prior reports.

On January 3, 1946, the surveilling agent was Special Agent HOWARD C. KIEBE. On this date at 9:02 A.M. CURRIE left his apartment building, 61 East 86th Street, walked east on 86th Street to the Lexington Avenue subway which he rode to the Wall Street station from whence he walked to and entered his offices at 19 Rector Street. At 11:30 A.M. CURRIE was observed at his office seated at his desk. At 1:24 P.M. CURRIE left his office at 19 Rector Street, walked east on Rector Street to Broadway where he boarded an uptown IRT subway train and rode to 42nd Street and changed to a local train and rode to 51st Street and left the train. CURRIE proceeded on foot to the General Electric Building, 570 Lexington Avenue, where he entered at 1:57 P.M.

On January 4, 1946, the surveilling agent was Special Agent HOWARD C. KIEBE. On this date, surveillance reflected that CURRIE devoted his time between his office at 19 Rector Street and his home at 61 East 86th Street.

On January 10, 1946, spot check surveillance was conducted and no pertinent contacts were observed.

On January 11, 1946, spot check surveillance by Special Agent HOWARD C. KIEBE reflected that CURRIE spent his time at his home, 61 East 86th Street and at his office, 19 Rector Street, and also at the Sherry-Netherland Hotel, 59th Street and Fifth Avenue, where it is believed that

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he contacted LEO SPITZ concerning whom information has been set out in previous reports.

On January 14, 1946, the surveilling agent was Special Agent HOWARD C. KLEBE. On this date at 11:15 A.M. Mrs. CURRIE was observed parking her car near the entrance of the apartment building on the north side of East 86th Street. The car is a 1942 cream-colored DeSoto four-door Sedan and was bearing District of Columbia license plates #659. At 9:16 P.M. CURRIE accompanied by his wife, young son and his business associate, MELVIN FAGEN, arrived at the Marine Terminal Base in CURRIE's DeSoto car. CURRIE and MELVIN FAGEN boarded a land based clipper of the Pan-American World Airways and departed at 10:00 P.M. for Hurn, England. Mr. MARCEL LAMOUR, Traffic Department, Pan-American World Airways, made available the outgoing manifest for the flight on which CURRIE was aboard for flight. The plane was scheduled to reach Hurn, England, at about 10:00 P.M. January 15, 1946.

CURRIE was travelling on United States passport #27181 and had ticket #216779. He indicated his occupation as industrial development and had two bags as luggage. MELVIN FAGEN was travelling on United States passport #27180 and had ticket #216780. FAGEN indicated his occupation as an economist and had three bags listed as luggage.

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Informant advised on January 6, 1946, that CURRIE was contacted by HERBERT and that they discussed business matters. CURRIE advised HERBERT that he is going to Washington tomorrow and is not returning until Wednesday. During the course of the conversation CURRIE advised HERBERT that he has to see his Swiss bank friend and also the Italian is coming up to see him in the morning, and since he wants to leave for Washington in the early afternoon he will not have too much time to accomplish this. CURRIE mentions that he has a lease on a Park Avenue building and may be able to move in about the 15th of March or 1st of April. CURRIE refers to the building as a former art gallery. (X) 4

On January 12, 1946, Informant advised that CURRIE contacted JERRY at the Savoy-Plaza Hotel. CURRIE discussed his coming trip to Europe and stated that he is leaving Monday by plane and would be back in about six weeks. (X) 4

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On January 14, 1946, Informant advised that CURRIE contacted HERMAN STAR and asked STAR for the address of LOBBY (ph.) LAWRENCE. LAWRENCE is presumably in London and CURRIE wants to contact him there. CURRIE indicated that he was going from London to Zurich on Saturday and that he would stay at the Savoy in London. (X) u

On the same date, Informant advised that a MAX WERNER contacted CURRIE. MAX advised CURRIE that he was not aware of his impending trip and asked if he could see him soon. WERNER gave CURRIE some names of persons to see in Europe whom he had seen on a previous occasion and they discussed one or two of these, one of whom MAX said is the present Bavarian prime minister. (X) u

On the same date, Informant advised that PETER CARR contacted CURRIE and asked CURRIE to call his mother, HONOR CARR, in London, and also asked him to say a word at the Embassy in London to expedite matters so that HONOR CARR can get to the United States as quickly as possible. (X) u

On the same date, Informant advised that Mr. SCOTT (probably SCOTT of MERRITT, CHAPMAN AND SCOTT, 17 Battery Place) contacted CURRIE and discussed the possibility of taking part in the harbor reconstruction in France. SCOTT indicated that he was not interested because they only want plans in France where SCOTT would want to do actual construction. (X) u

"Newsweek" dated January 21, 1946, on page 37 contained the following information concerning LAUCHLIN CURRIE:

"A Washington office a block from the Export-Import Bank and a New York office just off Wall Street put Currie close to the tap roots of American finance. A Detroit engineering firm contracted to furnish technical skills to his clients. Last week, with management contracts in hand for \$15,000,000 in foreign construction, he incorporated Lauchlin Currie & Co. On Monday of last week, he took a plane for Europe to give the jobs a once-over.

"Currie will shortly gain a quasi-partner, Robert Nathan, recently deputy reconversion chief. Through his own firm, Nathan will provide sales representation for American firms abroad and foreign firms here, exchanging business opportunities with Currie through a mutually owned concern. Other ex-New Dealers now in the armed forces will join the firm.

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"Currie finds private and government business alike in presenting the same fundamental problem of dealing with people and analyzing problems, but different in one respect-payrolls."

"In government," he explains, "it is enough if an employee is reasonably efficient and interested in his job. In business, you've got to pick those who earn more than their pay."

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The mail cover reflected the following letters sent to CURRIE: (X)

December 20, 1945

McGraw Hill Publishing Company,
330 West 42nd Street, N.Y.C.

H. M. Cary,
9 Hastings Lane,
West Medford #55, Massachusetts

December 31, 1945

National Foreign Trade Council, Inc.,
26 Beaver Street.

January 8, 1946

Benjamin Sonnenberg,
247 Park Avenue.

January 8, 1946

S. P. Leidesdorf & Co.,
125 Park Avenue.

January 11, 1946

F. Coe,
2700-36th Street, Northwest,
Washington, D. C.

Council of Foreign Relations,
58 East 68th Street,
New York 21, New York

January 24, 1946

American Academy of Political and
Social Science,
3457 Walnut Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

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No further investigation will be conducted concerning LAUGHLIN CURRIE until his return to the United States which, according to information received from [REDACTED] should be about March 1, 1946. (P) 4

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Re: Mrs. RAY ELSON, with alias

The following investigative activity concerning Mrs. RAY ELSON, 161 West 16 Street, New York City, is reported by Special Agent HOWARD R. HAWKINS.

Miss HANNAH M. EGAN, Dean of the Junior and Senior Students, HUNTER COLLEGE, 695 Park Avenue, advised that Mrs. RAY SHUCHTER-ELSON attended day sessions at Hunter College from 1940 to 1942. In the spring of 1941 Mrs. RAY ELSON indicated that she had attended regular meetings of the AMERICAN STUDENT UNION at HUNTER COLLEGE during 1940 and 1941. Miss EGAN advised that the AMERICAN STUDENT UNION was disbanded at HUNTER COLLEGE in 1941 and recalled that the organization at that college had followed the Communist Party line during the time that it was active there.

The records at HUNTER COLLEGE further reflected that RAY ELSON was first admitted to that college in February, 1936, at which time her residence was 315 West 19 Street, New York City. Subsequently she resided at 636 West 136 Street, New York City. The records reflected that she was born May 6, 1910, in Chicago, Illinois, and was of the Jewish Religion. Her father was listed as MANDEL SHUCHTER, who was at that time deceased. Her mother's name before marriage was SHEINDL PAUL, whose occupation was housewife, born in Czenstochova, Poland.

RAY ELSON graduated from Hunter College on September 1, 1942, receiving an AB degree. While at Hunter College her courses of study consisted primarily of Psychology, Languages and Social Sciences. She attended there in 1936 and from 1940 to 1942. Her record there contains a transcript of her record at DePAUL UNIVERSITY and TULEY High School, Chicago, Illinois. It further appeared that on January 8, 1940, she had been denied readmission to this college because of previous condition in Intermediate Algebra. This decision was changed on February 2, 1940, at which time she was allowed to re-enter the school.

As set forth in reference report RAY ELSON went to the GREENWICH SAVINGS BANK, 16th Street and Avenue of the Americas on January 18, 1946. Special Agent (A) CARL L. BENNETT made inquiry at this bank. It was learned that neither RAY ELSON, nor her husband JOSEPH ELSON have an account or a safe-deposit box at that bank.

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On January 22, 1946, at 9:20 a.m. a person known as JACK MACMICHAEL telephoned the ELSON apartment and asked to speak to Mrs. RAY ELSON. JOSEPH ELSON informed MACMICHAEL that RAY was not at home at that time, but could be reached at Murray Hill 4-6640 in approximately 20 minutes. MACMICHAEL stated that he is with the METHODIST FEDERATION FOR SOCIAL SERVICE.

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The telephone number of Murray Hill 4-6640 is that of the NATIONAL FEDERATION OF CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES, 205 E. 42 Street, New York City. Information concerning the previous contact between RAY ELSON and JACK MACMICHAEL is set forth in reference report. (P) 4

On January 23, 1946, at 6:10 p.m. JOE ELSON telephoned RAY ELSON. He informed RAY that he was going to a lecture that evening. RAY stated that she would go to a movie. Both agreed to be home about 10 p.m. (P) 4

[On January 24 at 4:35 p.m. an incoming unanswered call was reported.] On the same date at 7 p.m. confidential informant GREGORY spoke to RAY. GREGORY told RAY not to be alarmed at anything she might see in the newspapers in the next few days. She told RAY the NEW YORK WORLD TELEGRAM had investigated WORLD TOURISTS. GREGORY said that as far as she could see this story would not involve either RAY or herself, and added that she saw it coming, but could do nothing about it. It was also stated by GREGORY that BERDANSKY is "in the middle" and has been complaining to GREGORY that he got into something that he knew nothing about. RAY and GREGORY made a date for dinner on January 31 and agreed to meet at 7 p.m. at CHUMLEY'S restaurant. RAY was to be accompanied at this time by her husband. (P) 4

On the same date at 8:30 p.m. RAY spoke to MURRAY KANE and inquired concerning JOSEPHINE KANE. RAY inquired if it would be all right for them to come up for about an hour. It was agreed that it would be all right and RAY said they would be up in about fifteen minutes. (P) 4

On January 25 at 8:15 a.m. a person known as JEANETTE (phonetic) spoke to RAY ELSON. Part of the conversation was in French and they made an appointment to meet at 7 p.m. at DuMidi Restaurant. (P) 4

On January 26 at 12:33 p.m. an incoming call was reported from a person known as SULLO (phonetic) to RAY ELSON. He stated that he liked to visit the ELSONS sometime and stated to RAY that he attends the same school that is attended by "JOE", but that he goes to school on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday evenings. SULLO stated he could be reached at the LAWRENCE FREITAG AGENCY, 149 Madison Avenue. It appeared from the conversation that SULLO lives in Jackson Heights, Long Island. (P) 4

On January 27 no activity was reported by this confidential informant

On January 28 incoming calls were reported at 2:17 p.m. and 6:10 p.m. neither of which were answered. At 9:25 p.m. on the same date an incoming call was reported from a person known as JEAN BARCLAY (phonetic) to RAY ELSON. It appeared that JOE and RAY were to meet JEAN on this date and had gone to the offices of the IWO, looking for JEAN, but had been informed she was not there. JEAN stated that she works on the 10th floor at IWO and that today was her first day there. RAY ELSON stated that they looked for JEAN at the (P) 4

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EMILY BURMEISTER restaurant, but she was not there either. JEAN stated that she got tired of working for SOCIAL DEMOCRATS, especially on Saturdays and Sundays and so started to work at the IWO, and is working there in the Jewish Department. When RAY stated that she could not understand not finding JEAN at IWO today. JEAN said it was her first day and that "I am JEAN MALAMAN (phonetic), get it?". They made a date for next Monday evening at 6 p.m. and it was agreed that JEAN would meet RAY at RAY'S restaurant. RAY also stated during the conversation that she had worked at a different office on this date. They also discussed a JOSEPHINE, whom JEAN had known for about ten years. The JOSEPHINE referred to above is believed to be JOSEPHINE KANE, who resides in apartment 9-I at 161 West 16 Street, New York City. (X) u

On the same date at 9:40 p.m., an unidentified woman spoke to RAY and informed RAY that she was working near 40th Street and Madison Avenue. They made a date for lunch on January 29 and agreed to meet at 1:15 p.m. at Stoffers Restaurant at 42nd Street, across from Grand Central Station. (X) u

On the same date at 10:05 p.m. RAY spoke to a person known as RUTH (believed to be RUTH MILLER). RUTH asked RAY to come to her apartment and get some things that belonged to RAY, to which RAY agreed. (X) u

On January 29 at 6:30 p.m. RAY telephoned a person known as LOUISE, believed to be LOUISE SCHATZ. RAY stated she was waiting for JOE to come home and that they then planned to go to dinner and to a movie. She told LOUISE that she had seen RUTH and CON (phonetic) last evening for a few minutes and said she was working at the Federation on a campaign. RAY made a date with LOUISE for February 2 to go for a walk and LOUISE promised to call and tell RAY when she could meet her on that date. (X) u

On January 29 and January 30 no activities were reported by this informant. (X) u

Physical Surveillance - January 21 to January 31, 1946

On January 21, 1946, RAY ELSON spent the day at the offices of the NATIONAL FEDERATION OF CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES, 205 E. 42nd Street, New York City. She left this address at 5:40 p.m. and proceeded to her residence at 161 West 16 Street, making some purchases. At 6:30 p.m. an unknown man was observed in the apartment and at 6:40 p.m. JOE ELSON returned home. At 7 p.m. JOE ELSON and this unidentified man left 161 West 16 Street. They walked to the nearby post office and a few minutes later returned to the ELSON residence. During the evening an unidentified girl was also observed in the ELSON apartment. At 10:35 p.m. the unidentified man and woman mentioned above left 161 West 16 Street. They proceeded to 349 E. 32nd Street, where they entered. After a reasonable time the surveilling agents observed a light appearing in the top floor apartment (right) at this address.

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As set out below it has been determined that these two people were ROBERT and SHIRLEY ELSON, who reside at 349 East 32nd Street, New York City.

On January 22 RAY ELSON left her residence at 9:20 a.m. She spent the day at the NFCL offices. She had lunch with a person of negroid features, who apparently works at [redacted] address and who has previously been described in reference report. RAY ELSON left the NFCL offices at 5:30 p.m. and proceeded to her residence. During the evening an unknown woman and man were observed in the ELSON apartment. At 11:15 p.m. an unidentified woman accompanied by an unknown man left the ELSON residence. It was believed that they were the people observed earlier that evening in the ELSON apartment. The unidentified woman is described as follows:

Age
Height
Weight
Hair

Approximately 30 yrs.
5 ft. 5 in.
110 to 115 pounds
Blond, fixed in up-sweep fashion
Wore red dress, with a three-quarter length dark coat

On January 23 RAY ELSON spent the day at the NFCL offices. She had lunch with confidential informant GREGORY at KLUBE'S restaurant, 158 East 23 rd Street. RAY ELSON entered this restaurant at 12:35 p.m. and left the restaurant accompanied by confidential informant GREGORY at 1:50 p.m. RAY ELSON returned to the NFCL offices, 205 East 42nd Street, at 2:05 p.m..

At 5:35 p.m. RAY Elson reappeared and proceeded by subway to her residence. At 6:55 p.m. she reappeared alone and proceeded to a LOEW'S theater at the intersection of Greenwich Avenue and Seventh Avenue, where she entered at 7 p.m.. She left this theater at 9:30 p.m., walked to the CHELSEA market 80 Seventh Avenue, and returned home at 9:45 p.m.

On January 24 RAY ELSON left her residence at 9:25 a.m. and spent the day at the NFCL offices. She left this address at 6 p.m. and proceeded by subway to her residence. At 7:05 p.m. she left her residence, accompanied by her husband and proceeded to EMILY BURMEISTER'S restaurant on Seventh Avenue, between 15th and 16th Streets. They left this restaurant at 8:15 p.m. and returned to their residence. According to information from [redacted] they spent the evening with MURRAY and JOSEPHINE KANE, who reside in the same apartment building occupied by the ELSONS. U

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On January 25 at 9:35 a.m. RAY left her residence accompanied by her husband. They entered the subway at 14th Street and Seventh Avenue and RAY proceeded to the NFCL offices, which she entered. At 12:30 p.m. she left this address and proceeded to the intersection of 34th Street and Third Avenue, where she met a person believed to be her brother JERRY. They had lunch together at the Bakery located at 515 Third Avenue, which they entered at 12:40 p.m. At 1:15 p.m. they left this address. The man returned, walked to and entered 151 E. 32nd Street and RAY ELSON returned to the NFCL offices, entering at 1:35 p.m.

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At 6:05 p.m. she left her place of employment and proceeded by street car to 48th Street and Broadway. From there she walked to 311 W. 48th Street, where she entered the DU MIDI restaurant at 6:43 p.m. She was joined at this restaurant by her husband and an unknown woman, whose first name was JEANETTE (phonetic). This unknown woman is described as follows:

Age	45 yrs.
Height	5 ft.
Weight	107 pounds
Hair	Brown, cut short
Dress	Black coat, black shoes,
Peculiarities	Slightly bowlegged

At 8:25 p.m. RAY, her husband and this woman left the DU MIDI restaurant and proceeded to the APOLLO theater on 42nd Street, between Seventh and Eighth Avenues, where they entered. At this theater the unknown woman purchased the tickets for admission and they saw the pictures "Merryling to Sarejevo" and "Gangplank". At 11:05 p.m. they left this restaurant and proceeded by taxi to 253 West 16 Street, where the unknown woman left the cab and entered the apartment house at that address. The ELSONS continued by cab to their residence, where they entered.

On January 26 RAY ELSON was observed in her apartment at various times throughout the day. At 8:05 p.m. RAY and her husband, accompanied by MURRAY and JOSEPHINE KANE, left their residence. They proceeded by taxi to the Royal Theater on 45th Street, West of Broadway, where they saw the stage production "The Magnificent Yankee." At 11:25 p.m. they left this theater and walked to the Cadillac Restaurant at 41st Street and Broadway. At 12:35 a.m. on January 27 they left this restaurant and returned home by taxi.

On January 27 at 11:05 a.m. RAY and her husband left their residence and proceeded to the Jumble Shope Restaurant, 8th Street and Avenue of the Americas. They left this restaurant at 12:40 p.m. and returned to their residence. Subject was observed in her apartment throughout the remainder of the day.

On January 29 RAY ELSON left her residence and proceeded to the NFCL offices. At 12:40 p.m. she left her place of employment and proceeded to the Shanty Restaurant at 42nd Street and Second Avenue, where she had lunch. From there she proceeded by bus to 112 East 19 Street, and took the elevator to the offices of SURVEY GRAPHIC, which is located on the 12th Floor at that address. She remained there until 4:10 p.m. and thereafter returned to the NFCL offices. At 6:10 p.m. she reappeared with an unknown negro woman described as follows:

Age	35 to 40 yrs.
Weight	135 lbs.
Height	5 ft. 6 in.
Build	Medium
Complexion	Coffee colored
Dress	Brown fur coat; black turban.

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RAY ELSON and this woman walked to the Times Square Subway Station. The unknown woman entered the White Plains up-town subway and RAY ELSON entered the downtown subway, and proceeded to her residence, which she entered at 6:45 p.m. She was observed in her apartment throughout the evening.

On January 29 at 9:25 a.m. RAY ELSON left her residence and proceeded to the NFCL offices, which she entered at 9:50 a.m. She reappeared at 12:53 p.m. with an unknown woman, apparently employed at the NFCL offices. At 12:55 p.m. they entered SELLEMANN'S restaurant, 237 East 42nd Street. At 2:05 p.m. they left this restaurant and returned to the NFCL offices. The unidentified woman referred to above is described as follows:

Age
Height
Weight
Hair
Race
Dress

30 yrs.
5 ft. 6 in.
110 lbs.
Dark
White
Dark blue cloth coat, with a belt all the way around; brown shoes, brown stockings, and light blue turban. She carried a tan saddle leather pocket book, similar to those carried by members of the WAC

At 5:40 p.m. RAY left the NFCL offices and proceeded by subway to her residence which she entered at 5:50 p.m. At 6:55 p.m. she reappeared accompanied by her husband and walked to DROSSIS restaurant, 46 Greenwich Street, where they had dinner alone. They left this restaurant at 8:06 p.m. and walked to the 8th Street Playhouse, where they saw the movie "Rhapsody in Blue". They left this theater at 11 p.m. and returned directly to their residence.

On January 30 at 9:15 a.m. RAY ELSON left her residence and proceeded to the NFCL offices, which she entered at 9:35 a.m.. At 6:25 p.m. she left this address accompanied by a female negro fellow employee, previously seen with the subject. They proceeded to the NOM YUEN Chinese restaurant, 41 Mott Street, which they entered at 6:45 p.m. At 9:05 p.m. RAY reappeared accompanied by the same negro woman and an unidentified woman described as follows:

Age
Height
Weight
Hair
Build
Dress

25 to 30 yrs.
5 ft. 5 in.
110 lbs.
Dark brown, shoulder length
Thin; narrow face and figure
Green hat; dark brown imitation beaver coat, with tie cloth belt

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All three women proceeded by subway to RAY ELSON'S residence, where they entered at 9:45 p.m. At 10:20 p.m. JOSEPH ELSON was observed to enter the ELSON residence. At 12:15 a.m., January 31, the negro woman and the unidentified woman, previously described, left the ELSON residence. They proceeded by Seventh Avenue subway to 72nd Street, where the unidentified woman left the subway. At 12:50 a.m. she was observed to enter the apartment house located at 212 West 72nd Street.

On January 31 at 9:30 a.m. RAY left her residence and proceeded to her place of employment, where she entered at 10 a.m. She left this address at 1:15 p.m. with an unknown woman believed to be a fellow employee. They had lunch at the Famous Sea Food House, 651 Third Avenue and at 2:05 p.m. they returned to the NFCL offices. The unknown woman mentioned above, with whom RAY ELSON had lunch on January 31, was believed to be the same woman that she had lunch with on January 29, and whose description is set forth above.

RAY left the NFCL offices at 5:55 p.m. and returned directly to her residence. At 7 p.m. she reappeared, accompanied by her husband. They proceeded to CHUMLEY'S restaurant, 86 Beaver Street, where they spent the evening with confidential informant GREGORY.

The physical surveillance logs prepared in connection with this surveillance have been placed in the appropriate section of the case file. The Special Agents who conducted this surveillance are as follows:

L. MORRIS BEST
H. COURTNEY CLINCH
JOHN M. COLLINS
JOHN J. DANAHY
JAMES R. SHINNERS
ROSS C. WOLCOTT

A mail cover has been maintained on all mail addressed to JOSEPH and RAY ELSON at 161 West 16 Street, New York City. The results of this mail cover are as follows: (X) 4

<u>Date</u>	<u>Return Address</u>
January 4, 1946	No name; 210 W. Gate St., Wellsville, New York
January 7	D. DOBKIN, 137 Witmer, Los Angeles, Cal.
January 12	National Federation of Constitutional Liberties 205 E. 42nd Street, New York City
January 19	Sarge Ettlinger, 2142 Lincoln Park West, Chicago
January 19	S. M. Halpern, 317 W. 84 St., New York City
January 21	P. Israelson, 2524 W. Division St., Chicago

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As set forth above two unknown people visited the ELSON apartment on January 21. Also in reference report on page 19 a conversation was reported by [REDACTED] between RAY ELSON and a person known as SHIRLEY. This conversation occurred on January 17 and during the conversation RAY invited SHIRLEY and possibly her husband to the ELSON apartment for dinner some evening the following week. It was tentatively agreed that they would come to the ELSONS on Monday, January 21. (K)U

Mrs. MORRIS ALVAREZ, wife of the superintendent at 349 East 31 St., advised that ROBERT and SHIRLEY ELSON resided in apartment number 21 at that address, which is located on the top floor, east, in this building. This apartment has windows facing the 32nd Street side. She advised that SHIRLEY ELSON had resided there for about two years, during which time her husband ROBERT had been serving in the U.S. Navy. No explanation could be furnished concerning SHIRLEY ELSON'S present employment. However, Mrs. ALVAREZ informed that ROBERT ELSON was released from the Navy a few months ago and believed that he was now employed somewhere in New York City, in connection with either the sale or the servicing of radios. During the time ROBERT was in the Navy SHIRLEY ELSON'S sister, Mrs. MURIEL FOSTER resided with SHIRLEY. Mrs. ALVAREZ stated that she believed Mrs. FOSTER came to New York from Wisconsin and could give no further details except to state that her husband JAMES FOSTER had served in the Navy and had been released from the Navy recently.

Mrs. ALVAREZ further stated that the rent on apartment number 21 is paid by SHIRLEY ELSON by check on the NATIONAL CITY BANK, 32nd Street Branch. She described both SHIRLEY and ROBERT ELSON in a manner similar to the description furnished by the surveilling agents of the two people who had visited RAY ELSON'S apartment on January 21 last.

The records of the CREDIT BUREAU OF GREATER NEW YORK reflected a report dated October 14, 1944, concerning Mrs. ROBERT ELSON, 349 E. 32nd St., New York City. This report reflected that SHIRLEY ELSON was employed by WILBUR RODGERS INC., 128 West 31 Street, New York, as a bookkeeping machine operator. This company was described as a large organization operating a chain of specialty shops both in the metropolitan area and in the adjoining areas. A former address for SHIRLEY ELSON was listed as 612 E. Daniel St., Champaign, Illinois.

The records of this office reflected that confidential informant [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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The records of the New York office further reflected that SHIRLEY ELSON was born September 13, 1913, in Peoria, Illinois. She attended the University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois, from 1931 to 1935, where she received an AB degree. In 1944 she was a registered member of the AMERICAN LABOR PARTY. Her husband ROBERT ELSON has Navy serial number 6103395 and was a radio technician in the Navy. He married SHIRLEY on November 20, 1940, in Chicago, Illinois. SHIRLEY ELSON was previously married to JOHN H. BALDWIN in December, 1935, at Champaign, Illinois, and divorced him at Waukegan, Illinois, in June 1940.

Descriptions of SHIRLEY and ROBERT ELSON are as follows:

Name	SHIRLEY ELSON, WAS., Mrs. Robert Elson, Shirley Wentworth Day
Address	349 E. 32nd St., New York City
Color	White
Age	32 yrs.
Born	Sept. 23, 1913, Peoria, Ill.
Height	5 ft. 1 in.
Weight	100 lbs.
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Brown
Build	Small
Nose	Small, upturned
Glasses	Wears thick lens glasses, heavy natural color frames
Dress	Black caricul coat

Name	ROBERT ELSON
Address	349 E. 32nd Street, New York City
Color	White
Age	27 to 30 yrs.
Weight	125 lbs.
Height	5 ft. 2 in.
Hair	Black and wavy, heavily oiled
Complexion	Dark
Build	Short
Facial features	Sharp, large nose
Dress	Grey suit, brown hat, creased pork-pie effect, tan camel hair overcoat, with discharged serviceman's button

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In reference report information is set forth on page 28 that an unknown person had visited RAY and JOSEPH ELSON on January 14, 1946, and that JOSEPH ELSON had accompanied this person to the Pennsylvania Railroad Station. Also set forth was information to the effect that Special Agent L. MORRIS BEST had ascertained under pretext that this unknown person had formerly been employed at CUSHMAN'S BAKERY SHOP in Pennsylvania Station.

WILLIAM SMITH, Manager of CUSHMAN'S Retail Shop, Pennsylvania Station, was interviewed with negative results. He referred the reporting agent to a person by the name of PETER SLOANE, who had formerly been employed at that retail establishment.

PETER JOSEPH SLOANE, 2515 Amsterdam Avenue, Bronx, New York, advised that he had been formerly employed at the CUSHMAN'S Retail Shop in Pennsylvania Station and while there he became acquainted with a person known as JOHN BOETSCH. His description of BOETSCH was identical with that obtained by surveilling agents and advised that BOETSCH had worked at that store about four or five years ago. He stated that BOETSCH had served in the U.S. Army Air Forces during the War and presently resides with his parents at 3574 DeKalb Avenue, Bronx. CHARLES K. LA MOTTE, Personnel Manager, CUSHMAN'S BAKERY, 250 West 57 Street, advised that their records reflected that JOHN FRANK BOETSCH had been employed as a store salesman from June 16, 1942, until October 10, 1942. His address at the time of employment was 3418 Gates Place, Bronx, New York.

According to the records of CUSHMAN BAKERY, BOETSCH was born in Newark, New Jersey, and attended grade school and high school in New York City. He gave the following references at the time of his employment with CUSHMAN'S Bakery:

WILLIAM GRIFFIN, 558 Wells Avenue
PAUL STEPHENS, 1344 University Avenue
Mrs. SALLY MULLINS, 3591 Bainbridge Avenue

The indices of this office were checked for information concerning JOHN FRANK BOETSCH, with negative results.

Re: GINETTE SCHAIN

As set forth above RAY and JOSEPH ELSON spent the evening of January 25 with a person whose first name was stated to be JEANETTE (phonetic). It was determined from a surveillance of RAY ELSON on January 25 that JEANETTE resided at 253 W. 16 Street.

FRANK ABELLA, superintendent at 253 West 16 Street, advised that a person by the name of GINETTE SCHAIN resides in apartment 6-E at that address. She occupies a small 1½ room apartment alone, for which she pays a rent of \$~~10.00~~ ~~12.00~~ ~~14.00~~ ~~16.00~~ ~~18.00~~ ~~20.00~~ ~~22.00~~ ~~24.00~~ ~~26.00~~ ~~28.00~~ ~~30.00~~ ~~32.00~~ ~~34.00~~ ~~36.00~~ ~~38.00~~ ~~40.00~~ ~~42.00~~ ~~44.00~~ ~~46.00~~ ~~48.00~~ ~~50.00~~ ~~52.00~~ ~~54.00~~ ~~56.00~~ ~~58.00~~ ~~60.00~~ ~~62.00~~ ~~64.00~~ ~~66.00~~ ~~68.00~~ ~~70.00~~ ~~72.00~~ ~~74.00~~ ~~76.00~~ ~~78.00~~ ~~80.00~~ ~~82.00~~ ~~84.00~~ ~~86.00~~ ~~88.00~~ ~~90.00~~ ~~92.00~~ ~~94.00~~ ~~96.00~~ ~~98.00~~ ~~100.00~~ ~~102.00~~ ~~104.00~~ ~~106.00~~ ~~108.00~~ ~~110.00~~ ~~112.00~~ ~~114.00~~ ~~116.00~~ ~~118.00~~ ~~120.00~~ ~~122.00~~ ~~124.00~~ ~~126.00~~ ~~128.00~~ ~~130.00~~ ~~132.00~~ ~~134.00~~ ~~136.00~~ ~~138.00~~ ~~140.00~~ ~~142.00~~ ~~144.00~~ ~~146.00~~ ~~148.00~~ ~~150.00~~ ~~152.00~~ ~~154.00~~ ~~156.00~~ ~~158.00~~ ~~160.00~~ ~~162.00~~ ~~164.00~~ ~~166.00~~ ~~168.00~~ ~~170.00~~ ~~172.00~~ ~~174.00~~ ~~176.00~~ ~~178.00~~ ~~180.00~~ ~~182.00~~ ~~184.00~~ 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\$33 per month. ABELLA'S description of GINETTE SCHAIN was similar to that of the person contacted by RAY and JOSEPH ELSON on January 25, 1946. ABELLA further advised that GINETTE SCHAIN was the only person whom he could recall residing at that address with the first name GINETTE and who filled the description of the unidentified woman in question. Upon further questioning ABELLA could give no additional information concerning GINETTE, except that he recalled that she was of French-Jewish nationality and spoke French. [It will be recalled that [REDACTED] reported on January 25^{b2} a conversation between RAY and the person that she planned to meet on that date. A part of this conversation was carried on in the French language.] ^{b2} (X) 4

FRANK T. D'ONOFRIO, CHELSEA HALL CORPORATION, 551 Fifth Avenue, advised that they had previously owned and managed the apartment at 253 West 16th Street. He stated that GINETTE SCHAIN had been an occupant of that apartment house since May 1, 1940. She resided in apartment 1-B, until September, 1943, at which time she moved to apartment 6-E. He could furnish no additional information concerning this person, stating that their records concerning her occupancy there had been destroyed.

The records of the CREDIT BUREAU OF GREATER NEW YORK, 32nd St. and Seventh Avenue, were checked for information concerning GINETTE SCHAIN, with negative results.

The indices of this office were checked for information concerning GINETTE SCHAIN, with negative results.

Re: SURVEY ASSOCIATES, INC.

As set forth above RAY ELSON on January 28, 1946, spent a part of the afternoon at the offices of SURVEY ASSOCIATES INC., 112 E. 19 St., New York City. The records of this office reflect that SURVEY ASSOCIATES INC. is a non-profit organization formed in October, 1912, for "a charitable purpose of advancing the cause of constructive Philanthropy by the publication and circulation of books, pamphlets and periodicals, and by conducting any investigations useful or necessary for the preparation thereof."

SURVEY ASSOCIATES has its principal office at 112 E. 19 Street, New York City, and its two publications are SURVEY GRAPHIC and SURVEY MID-MONTHLY. Both publications are stated to be of a liberal viewpoint and to contain articles, affecting current social, economic and political questions. The editor and most active officer of these publications is PAUL U. KELLOGG, a well-known liberal.

According to the investigation conducted by this office, it was learned that certain other persons connected with this organization are of liberal inclinations, some having endorsed alleged Communist Front organizations. However, the organization at the present time enjoys a good reputation and no evidence of Communist or other subversive purpose or tendencies was found.

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RICHARD B. SCANDRETT, Jr., president
JOHN PALMER GABIT, vice president
AGNES BROWN LEACH, vice president
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A check of the files in the New York Field Division disclosed that [REDACTED] is the subject of a closed Security Matter-C investigation with New York as office of origin. This is the same [REDACTED] (S)

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Re: Confidential Informant GREGORY

The following is being dictated by Special Agents Thomas G. Spencer and Joseph M. Kelly:

On January 22, 1946 Confidential Informant GREGORY telephonically advised that she had just received a call from ~~LEON~~ BERDANSKY at WORLD TOURISTS, INC., indicating that NELSON FRANK of the NEW YORK WORLD TELEGRAM had been to the office of WORLD TOURISTS, INC. attempting to get some information relative to the manner in which packages were shipped to Russia by this company. It also appeared that FRANK had interrogated BERDANSKY concerning the amount of duties that were charged on these particular shipments and a great deal of information relative to the manner in which the entire business of package shipments to Russia is carried on by this corporation.

BERDANSKY informed FRANK that U. S. SERVICE & SHIPPING CORP. actually held a contract for the shipment of these packages to Russia and that WORLD TOURISTS, INC. merely acted as exclusive agents for the Metropolitan New York area for U. S. SERVICE & SHIPPING CORP.

It also appears that at the conclusion of the interview between FRANK and BERDANSKY, FRANK intimated that he was going to write an expose concerning what he termed the excessive duties, insurance rates and handling charges imposed on packages sent from this country to Russia and gave the impression that the article would be highly critical.

Subsequently, Confidential Informant GREGORY again communicated with the New York Office and advised that she had received a telephone call from NELSON FRANK on that day and that he asked her several questions relative to the firm's business along the same lines as described above. He also intimated to GREGORY that he was desirous of seeing her concerning this matter, and told her he was making an effort to ascertain all possible facts bearing on the package business between this country and the U.S.S.R. b2 b7D

According to information supplied by [REDACTED] whose identity is known to the Bureau, Informant GREGORY, on January 22, 1946, communicated with C. E. BANNERMAN of the law firm of CIARK, CARR & ELLIS, which handles the legal matters for U. S. SERVICE & SHIPPING CORP. and explained NELSON FRANK's interest in the affairs of both WORLD TOURISTS, INC. and U. S. SERVICE & SHIPPING CORP. According to [REDACTED] BANNERMAN informed GREGORY that there was nothing that he could do and that if the newspaper people desired to interview her and subsequently print a story regarding both corporations there was nothing that could be done about this. b2 b7D

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The following day NELSON FRANK appeared at the office of Confidential Informant GREGORY and asked her a large number of questions concerning the operation of the firm; mainly they dealt with customs, insurance rates, inspection, packing and handling fees which the American shipper would have to pay to send packages to Russia. According to Informant GREGORY, FRANK obviously had done considerable investigating along this line and already possessed the information that WORLD TOURISTS, INC. had been incorporated originally in 1927 by three members of the Central Committee of the Communist Party, namely, JOSEPH R. XERODSKY, ROBERT WIENER and ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG.

FRANK also told informant that he had learned one JOHN H. REYNOLDS was presently president of the U. S. SERVICE & SHIPPING CORP., asked her for some identifying data concerning REYNOLDS, and also if he were a Communist, to which informant replied that he was not a party member. This line of questioning was pursued further by FRANK who then asked informant if she is or ever has been a Communist Party member and she replied emphatically in the negative. He then requested informant to make available the books and records of U. S. SERVICE & SHIPPING CORP. to him, but this request was refused.

It was the impression gained by the informant during this conference with FRANK that the latter's article would be very critical of the charges which have to be paid by a package shipper and that the firm as well as the U.S.S.R. would probably appear in a bad light.

Although FRANK appeared to have considerable knowledge of the corporate structure of both WORLD TOURISTS, INC. and U. S. SERVICE & SHIPPING CORP., he did not in any way indicate that he knew or suspected that 75% of the original investment in U. S. SERVICE & SHIPPING CORP. was made by the Communist Party and neither the name of EARL BROWDER nor of LEAH HARRIS was mentioned. After being told by informant that REYNOLDS was not a party member, FRANK asked no further questions about him, but did indicate that he knew REYNOLDS was presently on active duty with the U. S. Army.

After the above information had been received by the Agents from the informant, it was decided that it would be advisable if the informant immediately contacted EARL BROWDER and told him of the imminent publicity concerning her firm. It was felt that this move by her would further ingratiate her with BROWDER and when the plan was discussed with her she agreed that it would have a good effect on him.

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That same day Informant GREGORY did, in fact, meet BROWDER at Grand Central Terminal and told him of the visits received by BERDANSKY and herself. According to her, he was not at all excited about the prospect and told her "You are receiving your first public baptism of fire." Nothing further believed pertinent occurred during this conference between informant and BROWDER.

On January 24, 1946 Special Agents Francis D. O'Brien and Thomas G. Spencer met informant for a brief time and discussed with her in detail the events which had been previously reported by her on the telephone.

On January 30, 1946 Informant GREGORY was interviewed by Special Agents Thomas G. Spencer and Joseph M. Kelly and in discussing generally the SILVERMASTERS and the people who were associated with them during the time she was active in Russian espionage activities, she recalled one individual who was associated with the SILVERMASTER crowd who she had failed to mention at the time the signed statement of November 30, 1945 was taken. She stated that this individual is FRANK COE who, at the time she first became aware of his identity, was in the U. S. Treasury Department, though his exact title or position was not known to her. COE was, to the informant's recollection, in South America on some mission for the Treasury Department during all but two months of the time that she knew that he was in contact with the SILVERMASTERS. It was also her recollection that COE was communicating directly from South America with the SILVERMASTERS in Washington, D. C. and sending them reports and other information that he gathered while in Latin America.

The informant also stated that she is of the opinion that COE also sent information to HARRY WHITE in Washington, D. C. and while COE was in South America and also believes that he made information available to WHITE while he, COE, was in the United States. She further believes that the information supplied by COE to WHITE eventually was turned over to the SILVERMASTER group.

She could not recall definitely having seen any material that she could identify as having originated with COE, but did state that the information supplied by him in these personal communications would be digested and turned over to her for transmittal to her superiors. Informant's recollection of the type of information supplied by COE is vague, except that it was economic data and she said that he was relatively unimportant to the group.

On January 29, 1946 there appeared in the NEW YORK WORLD TELEGRAM an article entitled "Russia Tariff on Relief Food Curbs U.S.A.", written by

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NELSON FRANK. By letter on that date the Bureau was supplied with copies of this article. It is to be noted that the names of informant, JOHN H. REYNOLDS, and U. S. SERVICE & SHIPPING CORP. were not mentioned in the write-up, although mention was made of WORLD TOURISTS, INC. and its original incorporation by Communist Party members.

On that same date Informant GREGORY telephonically advised the New York Office that she had been greatly relieved to see that the article was not as detailed as it might have been and further that she had telephonically discussed it with Lieutenant Colonel REYNOLDS who was also pleased that the newspaper story was brief and omitted their names.

On January 31, 1946 informant telephonically advised Special Agent Kelly that she had just received a telephone call from one ISIDORE NEEDELMAN who had described himself as an attorney for the AMTORG TRADING CORP., and who requested that she furnish him a copy of the contract between U. S. SERVICE & SHIPPING CORP. and INTOURIST. Informant asked the reason for the request and was told by NEEDELMAN that it was routine matter and that, as everyone knew, AMTORG is in charge of all commercial relations between this country and the U.S.S.R. Informant declined to furnish the desired copy and asked NEEDELMAN why he had not requested INTOURIST, Moscow to furnish a copy of the contract. He gave no direct answer to this, but repeated his request, which again was refused and he abruptly ended the conversation.

On February 1, 1946 Informant GREGORY advised Special Agents Spencer and Kelly that shortly after NEEDELMAN had concluded the telephone conversation above described on the previous day, she had received a call from one AGAPOV, who identified himself as the secretary of AMTORG. Informant continued that AGAPOV summarily repeated the demand made earlier by NEEDELMAN for a copy of the contract and was very curt and demanding in his tone. Informant asked him the reason for his request and he answered along the same lines as had NEEDELMAN. When asked why he did not request INTOURIST, Moscow to furnish him the paper he said that procedure would entail delay of two or three months and that it was imperative that he have this copy in 24 hours.

Informant remonstrated with him and he reminded her that AMTORG allocates all shipping space on vessels between this country and the U.S.S.R.; that naturally packages handled by her firm could not move if proper space were not provided and very plainly threatened that if the copy of the contract he had requested were not forthcoming within 24 hours U. S. SERVICE & SHIPPING CORP. might well find itself without any shipping space. After AGAPOV became specially belligerent, informant reminded him that her firm was a corporation, and that she necessarily would have to confer with

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Colonel REYNOLDS before she could give him a definite answer and told him it would be several days before a decision could be reached. He finally agreed to give her 3 or 4 days to produce the contract.

After this conversation, according to informant, she discussed the request in detail with Colonel REYNOLDS, who has been confined to his home by illness, and learned that his reaction was to reject the request from AMTORG and to dispatch a strong cable to INTOURIST, Moscow protesting the request and asking why AMTORG should be entitled to a copy of contract.

With respect to the contract existing between INTOURIST and the U. S. SERVICE & SHIPPING CORP., it will be recalled that this agreement was originally entered into in March, 1941 for a period of 2 years; that relations continued after the expiration date for some months on the same terms, and that finally in October, 1945, after prolonged discussions between informant and AL (GROMOV), the latter promised to secure an extension of it. Five days after he made this promise to the informant the firm received a cable from INTOURIST, Moscow extending the contract under the original terms until October 31, 1946.

It was learned that since the contract was originally executed GOLOS, Colonel REYNOLDS and GREGORY all had been summoned to the Russian Consulate in New York City on different occasions to discuss the agreement; and although no outright demand was ever made by the Consulate officials that the contract be terminated, it was the informant's distinct impression that its existence was not looked upon favorably by the Consulate. She said that on GOLOS' instructions she and Colonel REYNOLDS always told the Consulate officials as little as possible about the contractual terms and the volume of profits of the business.

It will be recalled that information has previously been supplied to the Bureau in the case entitled "SODAC, New York City; ESPIONAGE - R", relative to the interest displayed in this [REDACTED] b1

Informant stated that since her recollection of FRANK COE's association with the SILVERMASTER group she had gone over in her mind all of the people that she knew or had reason to believe were connected in some way with the Russian Intelligence group while she was actively participating in it. She stated that she now recalls that one NORMAN BURSLE (phonetic) was connected with the SILVERMASTER group.

She stated that on one of the occasions when she was talking to

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HELEN SILVERMASTER in Washington, D. C., HELEN told her that she had been seeing BURSLE quite frequently and felt that because of BURSLE's connection with the Anti-Trust Division of the Department of Justice he might be a good person to bring into the group. On her return to New York City she discussed this matter with GOLOS who stated that he was somewhat skeptical of BURSLE and felt that he might possibly be a "plant", but that if the SILVERMASTERS were favorably impressed and trusted him that the SILVERMASTER group might deal directly with BURSLE and, of course, to furnish the informant with any information that he was able to supply.

Subsequently Informant GREGORY told HELEN SILVERMASTER of GOLOS' opinion in this situation and HELEN SILVERMASTER arranged to obtain the information from him.

Informant subsequently learned that BURSLE was assigned to the New York Office of the Anti-Trust Division and was concerned with the investigation of German cartels. It also appears that shortly after BURSLE first became known to the informant he was inducted into the U. S. Army, but was released after a short time because of some physical defect and again took up his position with the Anti-Trust Division of the Department. Sometime in the summer of 1944 HELEN SILVERMASTER turned over to the informant a quantity of material and the informant noticed that some of this material contained information relative to German cartels. She indicated to HELEN that she knew the source of this particular material, meaning, of course, BURSLE, and HELEN SILVERMASTER acknowledged that it came from this individual.

The informant is unable to recall that she received any other information that she could definitely ascribe to BURSLE and it will be recalled that some few months later she disassociated herself from the SILVERMASTER group. Informant advised that she has never met BURSLE and has no information as to his background or otherwise that would assist in further identifying him.

Also on the occasion of this interview it was learned that the informant had dined the preceding evening with JOSEPH and RAY ELSON, and in accordance with instructions, had again mentioned that she was spending a good deal of time with her dentist. The ELSONS then began a discussion of their present dental treatment and informant learned that their dentist, whom neither named, was a former employer of Mrs. ELSON and apparently maintains a rather large office inasmuch as there are four or five other dentists associated with him in what appears to be a semi-cooperative or profit-sharing enterprise. Further, that this former employer had been doing

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their work for some years, and that although he was now very successful and charged high fees for his work, he continued to treat them because they had always paid him promptly when he was struggling to build up a practice and apparently appreciated their earlier patronage. Both JOSEPH and RAY ELSON went so far as to display to informant the results of the dental treatment they are presently receiving and informant stated conclusively that there was no question but that they were, in fact, being treated by a dentist.

In order to foreclose any doubt, informant remarked to JOSEPH ELSON that it would have been much more economical for him if he had received dental care while in the Army. ELSON agreed that he could have been treated without charge, but said that Army dentists were too careless, their work for the most part was poor, and that he had decided to have his work done by a competent man. Informant was unable to learn from them if their dentist was a Communist Party member, but RAY mentioned that he was a "good type".

While JOSEPH ELSON was temporarily absent from the company of his wife and informant, the latter learned that RAY was greatly worried at the present time because of the investigation being conducted by the Committee on Un-American Activities of the House of Representatives, particularly as it affects the FEDERATION FOR CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES, her present employer. She said that the FEDERATION had desired to place her in an important position in the group, it wanted her to do contact work on its behalf, which endeavor naturally would result in some publicity and that she had refused because she did not want to become at all conspicuous in its operations and wanted to avoid all public attention as far as possible.

She seemed very concerned about the prospect of the files of the FEDERATION being seized by the Committee and was in a generally nervous condition. Informant told her of the telephone call she had received from AMTORG relative to their desire for a copy of the existing contract between that company and INFOURIST, but no significant comment was forthcoming from RAY.

A recent photograph of Dr. A. B. WEINSTEIN obtained by Agents of this office during a surveillance of him was exhibited to the informant; however, she was unable to identify him.

Under date of January 28, 1946 the Washington Field Division supplied the New York Office with [REDACTED] S)

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RE: MAURICE HALPERIN

At 5:20 PM on January 23, 1946, Special Agent Floyd Jones telephoned this office from the Washington Field Office and furnished the following information:

[The Washington Field Office learned from a confidential source late January 23, 1946 that MAURICE HALPERIN had called his wife from the Pennsylvania Station and stated that he had reservations at the Hotel Embassy, the city not stated.] (u)

At 8:30 AM, January 24, 1946, Mr. JONES called to say that the confidential source indicated that MAURICE HALPERIN had an appointment with General DONOVAN (presumably WILLIAM DONOVAN, formerly of O.S.S.), at 10:30 AM, January 24, 1946. Mr. JONES suggested that we attempt to cover HALPERIN's activities through a physical surveillance. (u)

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents Joseph C. Walsh, Jr., Francis J. Gallant and Francis D. O'Brien:

On the morning of January 24, 1946, HALPERIN was observed leaving the Hotel Embassy, 154 West 70th Street, New York City, and proceeded to 2 Wall Street, which building is tenanted by the law firm of DONOVAN, LEISURE, NEWTON and LOMBARD. He remained in this building for approximately half an hour. During the day, HALPERIN visited the office of FRANK FIZDALE, 1448 Lincoln Building, which firm is a public relations counsel. It is further believed that HALPERIN contacted a CARL P. GREEN in that office. HALPERIN spent the entire evening of January 24 at 221 East 19th Street. The surveilling Agents observed him enter this building, however, it being a large apartment dwelling, it was impossible to determine to which apartment HALPERIN proceeded.

On January 25, 1946, HALPERIN revisited the aforementioned offices in the Lincoln Building at 60 East 42nd Street and also visited the ALFRED A. KNOPF COMPANY, INC., at 501 Madison Avenue. He contacted an unknown individual, apparently an employee of the Office of War Information, and had lunch with him at the Barbizon Plaza Hotel, 6th Avenue and 58th Street. Subsequent to that time, HALPERIN proceeded to 429 West 119th Street, which address is adjacent to the Columbia University campus, where he remained approximately a half hour. It is to be noted

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that this address, 429 West 119th Street is occupied by the Institute of Social Research, also known as the International Institute of Social Research. This organization, according to the files of the New York Office, has the reputation in Germany as being an organization of theoretical Marxists. In 1944, this organization was engaged in a symposium of anti-Semitism in Germany. According to [REDACTED], this organization served as an economic report center for the Comintern. This information, however, has never been substantiated through investigation of this office. b2 b7D

At 3:30 on the afternoon of January 25, HALPERIN left the Hotel Embassy with his bag and proceeded to the Pennsylvania Station where he boarded the Congressional Limited, which left New York City at 4:30 PM.

Mr. THOMAS BROWN, Manager of the Hotel Embassy, made a thorough check of his records. However, they failed to reveal anyone registered at that hotel under the name of MAURICE HALPERIN. Through a process of elimination of individuals checking into the hotel on January 23 and leaving on January 25, it was determined that one PETER H. ODERGARDE, Treasury Department, Washington, D. C., had registered at the hotel on January 23 and had left there the afternoon of January 25. From the meager description available from the desk clerk and the bell boy, it is believed that HALPERIN used this name in registering at the Hotel Embassy.

The following telephone calls were made by ODERGARDE during his stay:

University 4-2648 subscribed to by SCHUYLER C. WALLACE, 90 Morningside Drive, New York City.

Columbus 5-8100 subscribed to by the Rockefeller Foundation, 49 West 49th Street, New York City.

Plaza 3-4516 subscribed to by the St. Regis Hotel, New York City.

Tr. 7-1281 subscribed to by EMIL SCHLESINGER, 322 West 72nd Street, New York City.

Plaza 5-1500 subscribed to by PEDLAR & RYAN, INC. (Advertising), 250 Park Avenue, New York City

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According to New York Field Office files, EMIL SCHLESINGER is an attorney and was, in 1944, representative of the Jewish Labor Committee, active in urging the passage of the Fair Employment Practices Act.

The New York files further revealed that SCHUYLER C. WALLACE, according to [REDACTED] on February 17, 1941, is a professor of the College of the City of New York, and was a suspected member of the Communist Party. b2 b7D

The files of the New York Office failed to reflect anything pertinent concerning the background of PETER H. ODERGARDE. The "Who's Who in America" reflects that PETER H. ODERGARDE is a professor of Political Science, born in Montana, April 5, 1901; that he secured a Doctor of Philosophy Degree at Columbia in 1928; and that he had been professor of Political Science in Ohio State University, Amherst and Stanford University. Since 1941, he has been a consulting expert to the Secretary of the Treasury. His home is at 61 Lincoln Avenue, Amherst, Massachusetts.

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The information regarding KAHN secured through [REDACTED] during the period of December 19, 1945 to January 27, 1946 reflects principally that KAHN was invited to go to Poland as a "pro-Soviet delegate" at the World Jewish Congress; further that he had accepted the invitation and expected to go abroad on January 16, 1946. This date, however, was later postponed to sometime in February. This source of information further indicated that KAHN has made plans for speaking engagements in Los Angeles on March 4 and 5, 1946 and in San Francisco on March 7 and 8, 1946. KAHN and his wife, HARRIET, are actively interested in Communist affairs and functions, according to [REDACTED] particularly in and about Westchester County, New York. (u) b2 b7D

By memorandum, the Bureau forwarded a summary of material dated December 14, 1945, setting out the following information:

KAHN claims citizenship by derivation from his father, MORITZ KAHN, who in turn had obtained citizenship by derivation from ALBERT KAHN's grandfather, JOSEPH KAHN, who was naturalized December 20, 1899 in the District Court in Jacksonville, Florida. (u) b2 b7D

According to [REDACTED], the parents of ALBERT KAHN spent considerable time in Russia during the five-year plan. His mother was a sponsor of the Russian War Relief in Detroit in 1942 and a member of the Financial Committee of the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship. (u)

According to the Credit Bureau of Greater New York, KAHN carried a very good account in 1942 at the National Lumberman's Bank, Muskegon, Michigan, where he had done business for several years. A letter is being directed to the Detroit Field Division requesting that this account be searched and analyzed and a report be prepared thereon. (u)

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[REDACTED] it was learned from a highly confidential source that the [REDACTED] (u) b1 (S)

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The subject delivered a speech at the New York State Convention of the Communist Political Association held on July 21 and 22, 1945, at which time he was introduced as a delegate from the Cultural Section. He was made a member of the Constitutional Committee of the Convention.

At the second half of the Communist State Convention held during August 10, 11 and 12, 1945, the subject spoke at one of the group panels on the question, "The Struggle for the Rights of the Negro People." [REDACTED]

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According to Informant [REDACTED] KAHN stated at the Convention b1 that the Communist Party must "exercise Bolshevik diligence" to purge its ranks of all dangerous elements who have entered the Communist movement in the recent period. (X) x & u

In a special circular distributed by the Jefferson School of Social Science, it was announced that a summer camp would be held from June 16 to September 10, 1944, and that ALBERT E. KAHN would be one of the lecturers. The catalogue for the fall term of this school listed KAHN as a lecturer on history and problems of the Jewish people.

In April of 1944 he was a candidate from the Second Assembly District of Westchester County as a delegate to the State Convention of the American Labor Party, representing the Committee for a United Labor Party.

KAHN is considered to be a key figure in the New York Field Division.

ALLEGED SOVIET PROPAGANDA AGENT

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It should be noted, however, that [REDACTED] is considered unreliable by the New York Office.

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According to additional information furnished by this same source,

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KAHN has collaborated in many of his writings, including the well-known book "Sabotage" with MICHAEL SAYERS, also known as MICHAEL SAYRES. In reference to the latter individual, [REDACTED] b2
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[REDACTED] advised that he had learned from [REDACTED] that SAYERS was a member of the Communist Party and was sent to this country from Ireland by the Communists. He was involved in the Dublin bombings and was said to be in the pay of the Communist Party, according to this informant. [REDACTED] refer

[REDACTED] The New Haven Office suggested that this might be DAVID HEDLEY, an alleged propaganda agent at that time in Connecticut for the Third International whose wife, Dr. LENA HALPERN, formerly taught at Yale University. The SAYERS presently reside next door to KAHN on White Hill Road, Yorktown Heights, New York.

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It is said that KAHN obtained much of his information from one W. J. STEPANKOWSKY, also known as VOLODIMER STEPANKINSKY, and one STEPHEN MUSTOWY. *ref*

JOURNALISTIC ACTIVITIES

"The Hour" which KAHN edited was a confidential news weekly which was furnished to all newspapers, editors and radio stations, submitting information regarding alleged Nazi and Fascist subversive activities. Its stated purposes were to publish a confidential news bulletin with the aim of (1.) exposing activities of anti-democratic groups and (2.) publishing material of practical value in fighting such groups. The publication was regarded as being a Communist instrumentality, its principal function being to plant in places of influence stories that discredit opponents of the Communist movement.

New Currents is a Jewish monthly magazine which follows the Communist Party line and was formerly known as the Jewish Survey. It first appeared in March, 1943, and its editors besides KAHN were JOSEPH BRAININ and Professor FREDERICK LEWEN. It is published by the American Committee of Jewish Writers, Artists and Scientists, an organization which has established ties with the Jewish Anti-Fascist Committee in Moscow, according to S.S.S.

[REDACTED] advised that, according to Dr. ALBERT PARRY, KAHN was engaged in raising money for the magazine "Protestant", edited by KENNETH LESLIE. This publication is said to follow the Communist Party line also. *b2 b7D* (P) 4

In 1942 the subject and the aforementioned MICHAEL SAYERS collaborated in writing a book entitled "Sabotage - The Secret War Against America" which succeeded in gaining considerable notoriety for the authors. This book has been described as a scare story which might give the reader an idea that America was literally seething with saboteurs and spies. It is interesting to note that the authors were unable to substantiate some of the allegations and accusations in this book and their royalties were accordingly withheld by the publishing company due to the threat of libel suits being filed against them, and they were forced to make several retractions.

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In late 1943, the subject wrote a book entitled "Sabotage in Russia", which was published by Little, Brown and Company. In August of 1945, SAYERS and KAHN collaborated in a book entitled "Plot Against the Peace". According to the Daily Worker, this book exposes the German master plan for world domination after the Third World War. It is understood that Little, Brown and Company will publish another book by these two authors on January 3, 1946, called "The Great Conspiracy". It is said that the purpose of this book is to prove that there has been a great conspiracy throughout the world for the past twenty years against the Soviet Union.

The subject has also written a large number of articles, including "The Enemy Within", which appeared in New Masses on December 6, 1942; "I Accuse Martin Dies", which was an attempt to discredit the Dies Committee and appeared in Scope Magazine in July, 1944; a series of articles entitled "Dangerous Americans", which appeared in Scope Magazine; "Odyssey of a New Leader Hero", attacking Henry Miller of the New Leader, which appeared in the Daily Worker on January 15, 1945; and "Women of the U.S.A. and the U.S.S.R.," which appeared in the Fraternal Outlook in January 1945, this being the official organ of the I.W.O. It is also said that he wrote articles against the Organization for the Rebirth of the Ukraine, branding it as an anti-semitic and pro-Nazi organization. KAHN has also delivered a large number of bitter and vitriolic anti-Fascist and anti-Nazi speeches before various Communist Front organizations and other Left Wing groups, among them being a speech in New York before a Jewish rally for American-Soviet amity in the first part of April, 1943. 46 2 19

In the summer of 1943, he appeared on a radio program known as "Author Meets Critic" in which he bitterly criticized KURT SINGER's book "Spies and Traitors of World War II", mainly because of a statement in the book to the effect that the murder of LEON TROTSKY in Mexico was prompted by OGPU agents. On September 12, 1943, he was the main speaker at the Michigan State Convention of the Civil Rights Federation in Detroit. On January 19, 1944, he spoke at a meeting of the New York civic, social and educational groups called by the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties during the time of the anti-Semitic outbreaks in New York. On January 22, 1944, he spoke at a conference of the American Committee of Jewish Writers, Artists and Scientists. He was listed as one of the speakers for the Institution on Race Relations, being sponsored by the Civil Rights Federation of Detroit from February 28 to April 3, 1944. On April 2, 1944, he spoke at a dinner for racial and national unity in New York City, sponsored by the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties. On June 14, 1944, he spoke at the Uncensored Freedom Dinner which was sponsored by the Protestant Magazine. In this

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speech he attacked CHARLES LINDBERGH, FATHER COUGHLIN, HENRY FORD and other alleged Nazi sympathizers. On July 22, 1944, he spoke at the People's Congress of Applied Religion, sponsored by the People's Institute of Applied Religion, which organization is said to be attempting to gain political control over the poor white class and the colored people through religion.

On October 16, 1944, he spoke at the "Salute to Young America Dinner" sponsored by the American Youth for Democracy in New York. At the conclusion of this speech he asked for contributions and reportedly obtained \$7,075.00 in pledges. On October 18, 1944, he spoke at a meeting of the International Workers Order in Detroit. On November 25, 1944, he delivered a speech, entitled "The Deeds for Humanity of the Soviet Union", at a National Conference of the American Committee for the Settlement of Jews at Birobidjan, Soviet Russia. At the conclusion of this speech he called for contributions and allegedly received \$40,000.00 in cash. In the latter part of 1944 he was one of the principal speakers at a conference called by the National Council for Soviet Friendship. On February 14, 1945, he acted as chairman of a dinner sponsored by the American Committee of Jewish Writers, Artists and Scientists in New York, which dealt with the project of "The Jewish Black Book". On April 21, 1945, he spoke at the People's Institution of Applied Religion in New York City. On April 15, 1945, he appeared on the New York Newspaper Guild radio program with EARL BROWDER, HERBERT BAYARD SWOPE, JEROME WALKER of Editor and Publisher and JAMES WHITTAKER, the Guild Vice President. On May 26, 1945, he spoke on the subject of "Anti-Semitism Is Anti-Sovietism's Shadow" at the rally of the Jewish People's Fraternal Order in Madison Square Garden. On October 7, 1945, he spoke at the Conference of the School of Jewish Studies. The large majority of the leaders of this group are said to be Communists or Communist sympathizers. On October 12, 1945, he was a speaker before a meeting sponsored by New Masses in New York City. It is noted that on July 8, 1943, he acted as translator from Yiddish to English of speeches made by Professor SOLOMON MICHOELS and Lieutenant ITZIK REFFER, who were members of a Soviet Jewish delegation to the United States. This was a mass meeting in their honor in New York sponsored by the Committee of Jewish Writers, Artists and Scientists.

OTHER CONTACTS (u)

The following individuals have been identified as contacts or friends of the subjects: (u)

JOSEPH BRAININ, who was on the Board of Directors of New Currents Magazine with the subject and is an associate editor of "The Protestant", another Party line publication. He is registered with the Secretary of State as an agent of a foreign principal.

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HOWARD EAST, who is an editor for the New Currents magazine and also associated with Readers Scope and said to be a Communist. (u)

LEVERETT S. GLEASON, who published "Inside Russia" and the "Truth About the Red Army". It is said that he financed Readers Scope Magazine and he is known to be in frequent contact with ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG. He is the subject of a key figure investigation in the New York Field Division. (u) (u)

Mrs. JOHN J. ABT, also known as JESSICA SMITH, who was the editor of Soviet Russia Today and a prominent Communist functionary.

WILLIAM E. DODD, Jr., who has been very active in numerous Communist front organizations and who was the subject of a Hatch Act investigation.

DAVID NILES, who is employed in the executive offices of the President at the White House.

CECIL LUBELL, who is listed as a member of the Communist Party in New York and who was once associated with "The Hour". At the present time he resides next door to KAHN in the home of MICHAEL SAYERS. Before moving to New York City, he was active as secretary and organizer of the Communist Party in Sunnyside, Long Island. (u)

Dr. ALBERT PARRY, a former employee of O.S.S. who has been prominent in the Comrap investigation.

ALLAN JOHNSON, who was the Organizational Secretary of the Communist Party for District No. 7 in the State of Michigan.

JACK RASKIN, the Executive Secretary of the Civil Rights Federation in Detroit, who has been in constant contact with outstanding Communists in the Detroit area.

GILBERT GREEN, who was the President of the Communist Political Association for the State of New York and a National Vice President.

ALEXANDER BITTELMAN of the "Morning Freiheit", who has been described as being the outstanding Marxist dialectician in the United States and who is a subject in the Comrap case.

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~~WILLIAM HASKELL LEVITT~~, who is the Educational Director of the United Automobile Workers - C.I.O. in Detroit and a key figure in the Detroit Field Division.

~~HARRY BRIDGES~~, who accompanied the subject from New York to Washington on November 29, 1944, and returned to New York together with him on the following day, after having attended a Party together given by Major ~~RUTH GERSHON nee SPIVAK~~, who was then employed in the Pentagon Building with the Twentieth Air Force. She is not known to be related to ~~JOHN SPIVAK~~ who was connected with this case, but many of her friends are said to be members of the Communist Party or active in Communist controlled organizations.

~~BETTY JACQUELINE BRIDGES~~, a daughter of ~~HARRY BRIDGES~~, who was once employed by ~~ALBERT KAHN~~ in New York.

~~PHILIP JACOB JAFFE~~, whom the subject telephoned on May 11, 1945 for the purpose of obtaining any information that ~~JAFFEE~~ might have in his files on ~~UPTON CLOSE~~. Subject was writing an article on ~~CLOSE~~ at the time (84)

FRONT ORGANIZATIONS

~~X~~ Jewish's Peoples Fraternal Order - I.W.O., of which the subject is President. The membership in this organization in 1944 was said to be in excess of 44,000.

~~X~~ People's Radio Foundation, Inc., the purpose of which organization is to coordinate the organization of various community groups where FM Radio Stations may be established. The large majority of the sponsors and the Board of Directors of this organization are key figures in the New York Field Division and the subject was listed as a member of the Preliminary Board of Directors of this group.

~~X~~ The Newspaper Guild of New York, in which the subject has been active.

~~X~~ The National Committee to Combat Anti-Semitism, of which the subject was a sponsor.

~~X~~ The Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee,

~~X~~ National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, Inc. The subject was listed as a sponsor of the Trenton, New Jersey chapter.

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The American Committee for Spanish Freedom, of which the subject was a sponsor.

Industrial Insurance Agents' Union, Local No. 30, United Office and Professional Workers of America - C.I.O., of which the subject is a member of the Executive Board.

According to recent information secured, KAHN is also a co-author of a pro-Soviet work to be entitled "The Great Conspiracy" to be published by Little, Brown and Company, Boston, Massachusetts on February 4, 1946.

An investigation was conducted by Special Agent William J. Rowe in the vicinity of KAHN's residence, which is located on White Hill Road, Yorktown Heights, New York. The residence is located in a sparsely inhabited area on a secondary road. It is one of three homes on the country estate owned by JOHN L. MURPHY, a plumbing contractor of New York City. The third house on the grounds is occupied by CECIL LUBBEL and MICHAEL SAYERS, who are associates and co-writers of KAHN. It was also determined that Mr. MURPHY resides in his house on this estate only during the Summer months. Directly across the road from the MURPHY estate is the Wilkins Apple Farm, all buildings of which are a moderate distance from the road. No other residences are located in the immediate area. It should be noted that to reach White Hill Road, it is necessary, when proceeding north, to turn left from the Saw Mill River Parkway at Mohansic Avenue.

Chief of Police EARL HAWK, of the Yorktown Heights Police Department, advised that KAHN has resided at this location since before the war. Chief HAWK states that to the best of his knowledge, KAHN is at home evenings and weekends.

Due to the physical setup and sparse settlement surrounding the residence, a physical surveillance of this place would be most difficult to conduct.

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Re: DUNCAN CHAPLIN LEE~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Joseph P. Garvey:

The records of Selective Service Board #42, 1632 York Avenue, New York City, reflected that DUNCAN CHAPLIN LEE, of 531 E. 84th Street, registered at that Draft Board on October 16, 1940. He was assigned Serial #324, Order #1204. At the time he was 26 years of age and stated he was born at Anking, on December 19, 1913. His citizenship was U.S.A. His telephone number at that time was Regent 7-0572 and he was employed by DONOVAN, LEISURE, NEWTON & LUMBARD, attorneys, at 2 Wall Street, New York City.

His Occupational Questionnaire, dated June 20, 1942, reflected that his Social Security number was [REDACTED] that he was married and his occupation was that of Assistant to the General Counsel of the Office of Strategic Services, 25th and M Streets, Washington, D. C. A letter in the file on the letterhead of DONOVAN, LEISURE, NEWTON & LUMBARD, dated August 19, 1941, reflected that subject had changed his address from 531 E. 84th Street to 418 E. 84th Street. b7c

A Questionnaire dated February 27, 1941 indicated that the subject claimed nearsightedness and astigmatism; that he attended Yale and Oxford Universities and had been employed as an attorney for 1½ years at a weekly salary of \$54.16. He was married on June 18, 1938 in Oxford, England to ISABELLA SCOTT LEE, and has a son, GAVIN DUNBAR LEE, born December 23, 1940. He pays \$67.50 monthly rent to his landlord, WILLIAM K. HOPE, of 533 E. 84th Street. His wife receives an independent income.

On April 12, 1943 the subject was commissioned as a 1st Lieutenant.

The records of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of the State of New York reflect that DUNCAN C. LEE was admitted to the New York Bar on February 10, 1941 and his record after admission, to the present time, has been satisfactory. In his application for admission he stated he was born at Anking, China on December 19, 1913 and he resided at 531 E. 84th Street, from August, 1939 to the date of his admission, February 10, 1941. Previous addresses were: Virginia, June to August 1939; New Haven, Conn., September 1938 to June 1939; Oxford, England, September 1935 to June 1938. His father was listed as EDMUND JENNINGS LEE, residing at Chatham Hall, Chatham, Virginia and it was stated his father was born at Shepherdstown, West Virginia. His father was a clergyman and missionary from 1901 to 1927 in China. In 1927 his father became Rector of Chatham Hall, Virginia, a girls' preparatory school. His mother was listed as LUCY CHAPLIN LEE, born in New York City.

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Subject gave his educational background as: Yale University, September 1931 to June 1935, receiving a Bachelor of Arts Degree; Oxford University, September 1935 to June 1938, receiving a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Jurisprudence in June 1937 and a B.C.L. Degree in June 1938. He attended Yale Law School from September 1938 to June 1939 and did not receive a degree because of his failure to submit a thesis. He passed the New York State Bar examination in October 1940. He received a Rhodes scholarship from Virginia to Oxford University from 1935 to 1938. He belonged to the Yale University Y.M.C.A.

LEE's sponsorship for admission to the Bar were: J. EDWARD LUMBARD, of 2 Wall Street, who stated that he employed subject from September 1939 to February 1941; DAVID TEITELBAUM, an attorney with DONOVAN, LEISURE, NEWTON & LUMBARD; GEORGE C. SEWART, an attorney with SHEARMAN & STERLING, 55 Wall Street; RICHARD L. BROWN, an attorney associated with the firm of MORGAN & LOCKWOOD, 44 Wall Street, New York City.

The records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York, 393 Seventh Avenue, New York City, reflected a clipping in the file from the "New York Times" dated April 24, 1938, as follows:

"Mrs. THOMAS GIBBS, of Oxford, England, has announced here the engagement of her daughter, Miss ISABELLA GIBBS to DUNCAN CHAPLIN LEE, of Chatham, Virginia. Miss GIBBS attended schools in Scotland and also Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford University. Her father, the late THOMAS GIBBS, of Anchinluc, Cleland, Lanarkshire, Scotland, was Commissioner of Excise in Indian Civil Service in Allahabad, India. Mr. LEE, the son of Reverend and Mrs. EDMUND J. LEE, of Chatham Hall, Chatham, Virginia, was graduated from Woodberry Forest School and Yale University in 1935. He has been studying law at Oxford as a Rhodes scholar."

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The following was dictated by Special Agent Joseph P. Garvey:

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[REDACTED] has continued to advise of the activities of MARINI at his place of business, "L'UNITA DEL POPOLO" at 13 Astor Place, New York City. However, subject's activities have been principally concerned with the publication of his weekly newspaper "L'UNITA DEL POPOLO" and also with his activities in the COMMUNIST PARTY. He frequently contacts, and is contacted by high party functionaries of the COMMUNIST PARTY at 35 E. 12th Street and some of the front organizations. His main activity in the COMMUNIST PARTY is connected with the ITALIAN AMERICAN BRANCH of the Party. No information of pertinence to this case has been furnished since the last report, and all information received from [REDACTED] will be reported in the case file on FERRUCCIO MARINI. *John* b2 b7D

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents JOSEPH P. GARVEY and MICHAEL M. O'DOHERE from [REDACTED] b1

A letter from the Bureau dated January 9, 1946 sets forth the following information concerning FRAVDINA: The records of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Seattle, Washington, disclose that VLADIMIR FRAVDIN and his wife, OLGA FRAVDINA, arrived at Seattle, Washington, aboard the USSR S. S. "Ibilia" from Vladivostok on October 29, 1941. At the time of her entry into the United States, OLGA FRAVDINA was travelling on a visa and passport as the wife of a USSR official and gave her occupation as that of housewife. At this time she stated that her next of kin was her mother, Mrs. ANNA MADEVSKI, whose address was Strastno #10, Moscow.

It was noted that Vladimir Pravdin, the husband of OLGA, on the occasion of his entry into the United States in 1941 indicated his final destination as New York City, where he said he intended to join the TASS AGENCY in that city as an editor and correspondent.

OLGA FRAVDINA with Social Security number [REDACTED] was an employee of the AMTORG TRADING CORPORATION, 220 Madison Avenue, New York City, in 1942. She was supposed to act as an interpreter for Professor IERENKO. b7C

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Re: MARY WOLFE PRICE
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P. Garvey:

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Joseph

following:

The results of a mail cover placed on MARY WOLFE PRICE reflected the

<u>SENDER</u>	<u>POSTMARK</u>	<u>ADDRESSEE</u>
c/o Clay Street Central Falls, R.I.	Pawtucket, Rhode Island December 18, 1945	Miss <u>MARY PRICE</u> 207 W. 11th Street, NYC
Downtown Community School 233 E. 11th Street, NYC	December 17, 1945	<u>ENOCH PRICE</u> 55 Barrow Street, NYC
National Life Insurance Company 55 Liberty Street, NYC	December 17, 1945	Mr. and Mrs. W.E. PRICE 55 Barrow Street, NYC
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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (A) Arthur F. Redmond:

Mr. LEO KELLY, Vice President of the Chase National Bank, 18 Pine Street, New York City, advised that a search had been made of the general indices of the Chase National Bank with regard to any account in the name of MILDRED PRICE, Mrs. HAROLD COY or Mrs. MILDRED COY. The results of the search were negative. Mr. Kelly stated that if MILDRED PRICE had any account, either savings, checking or safe deposit box, this would be disclosed in the indices. He advised further that the CHINA AID COUNCIL, for whom MILDRED PRICE works, formerly had an account at the Garfield Branch of the Chase National Bank, but that this account had been transferred to the 57th Street branch of that bank. Mr. Kelly also stated that there was a CORNELIUS C. McMILLIN employed in the Investment Service of the Trust Department of the Chase National Bank. It is to be noted that McMILLIN is a brother-in-law of MILDRED PRICE.

MARY WOLFE PRICE is presently residing in Greensboro, North Carolina and is active in the SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOR HUMAN WELFARE. While in New York City during the Christmas holidays a confidential source advised that she contacted CLARK FOREMAN, President of the SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOR HUMAN WELFARE, while he was in Washington, D. C.

A report dated January 11, 1946 from the Charlotte Field Division, by Special Agent Kenneth J. Haser, entitled "SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOR HUMAN WELFARE; INTERNAL SECURITY-C", reflected that a new committee for North Carolina was organized at Raleigh on November 3, 1945 and that many prominent North Carolina people were reported to be officially connected therewith. MARY PRICE, reported as active in Communist dominated groups, was named Secretary-Treasurer of the committee for North Carolina and established offices at Greensboro, North Carolina. She is in close association with JAMES A. GOMBROWSKI, Executive Secretary of the SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOR HUMAN WELFARE, and MARGARET GELDERS FRANTZ, and other Communist sympathizers.

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Re: LEONARD OUTHWAITE

On December 27, 1945, [REDACTED] b2 b7D advised that BRANSON/PRICE contacted one CLARK at Dupont 3795 and stated that MARY (possibly MARY PRICE) was coming down to see him Monday. The subscriber to this number is listed as LEONARD OUTHWAITE, 1708 21st Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. (X)(u)

LEONARD OUTHWAITE is a known contact of ALGER HISS, of the State Department. According to Civil Service Commission records, OUTHWAITE was employed as Executive Officer for the VETERANS ADMINISTRATION from 1943 to 1945, when he resigned voluntarily and intended to retire. He came to Washington from New York City, where he had previously resided at 943 Lexington Avenue. He was the subject of a Bureau investigation entitled "LEONARD OUTHWAITE; OFFICE FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - SPECIAL INQUIRY". The investigation at that time conducted by the Bureau reflected no derogatory information. OUTHWAITE's wife's name is LUCELLE.

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Re: WILLIAM WALTER REMINGTON

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Frank J. Gallant: (u)

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent Edward W. Dooley dated January 28, 1946, wherein it is stated that REMINGTON contacted Professor FREDERICK C. MILLS in Room 501-A of Fayerweather Hall at Columbia University. The following information was obtained in connection with this investigation: (u)

FREDERICK CECIL MILLS resides at 492 Engle Avenue, Englewood, New Jersey and is a Professor of Economics at Columbia University. He was born in Santa Rosa, California on March 24, 1892, and has degrees from the University of California and Columbia University. In addition to being an Instructor and Professor in Economics and Business Administration at Columbia University, he was employed by the Federal government in 1914 and 1915. He has been associated with the Economic Association, the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and the Statistical Association. He has written books on Production and Productivity, Price Structure and Business Cycles. (u)

The indices of the New York Field Division were checked with negative results. (u)

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RE: JOHN HAZARD REYNOLDS

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (A) CARL L. BENNETT on January 4 and 11, 1946:

Mr. HAROLD FRENCH, Assistant Manager of the Chase National Bank, 23rd Street and 5th Avenue, advised that JOHN REYNOLDS was introduced to this branch by a Mr. CHILDS, Vice President of the Mutual-New Netherland, 34th Street Branch of the Chase National Bank, where REYNOLDS maintains his personal accounts. REYNOLDS opened the account of UNITED STATES SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION at the 5th Avenue Branch on March 4, 1941. At this time, REYNOLDS stated that by reason of an extended visit to Russia during 1939, at which time he came into contact with various high Russian officials, he entered into a two year contract with the Russian Authorities giving him exclusive right to export certain merchandise to Russia. He became very much interested in this business and believes that it will succeed. Further transactions in regard to UNITED STATES SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION have previously been reported on in examination of the bank account at this branch. JOHN H. REYNOLDS is listed as President and Treasurer of UNITED STATES SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION.

Mr. FRENCH advised that REYNOLDS opened a personal account at the 5th Avenue Branch on April 7, 1941. The balance in this account is between two and three thousand dollars and transactions occurring therein are very few.

According to the bank's file relative to this subject, it was noted that REYNOLDS was addressed in his communications as a Major on January 28, 1943 and later as a Lt. Colonel on September 26, 1945. Letters addressed to him reveal that he was assigned to 2 Lafayette Street, New York City, the Finance Office of the Army, and the bank permitted their Worth Street Branch to honor checks up to \$200. drawn on subject's 5th Avenue bank account. This same arrangement was made with the subject during May, 1944, at which time REYNOLDS was located with the Foreign Physical Affairs Branch, Office of the Physical Director, United States Army, Room 4E, 437 Pentagon Building, Washington, D.C. REYNOLDS requested the Chase National Bank of New York to communicate with the Pentagon Office of the First and Merchants National Bank, Richmond, Virginia and instruct them to honor his checks drawn on the Chase National Bank of New York up to \$500. This courtesy was extended him.

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An examination of REYNOLDS' bank account with the Chase National Bank disclosed a few checks for small amounts in the nature of expenses. The only unusual transaction was a check dated November 30, 1945 in the amount of \$300. drawn to the order of the National City Bank and endorsed for deposit to the account of MARION HUTCHINS, Sutton Place Branch of the National City Bank.

It appears from the bank's credit file that JOHN H. REYNOLDS has considerable funds in various accounts at the Chase National Bank 34th Street Branch which originated from his wife's family, her maiden name being GRACE FLEISCHMAN. Her father was a former Director of this branch and the family is well connected there. Mr. CHILDS, the Manager of this branch is very friendly socially with the FLEISCHMAN family and at the present time it is doubtful that a discreet inquiry can be made at this branch relative to these personal accounts without the subject being notified that an inquiry was made. It is not deemed advisable at this time to contact this branch and therefore it is being held in abeyance.

Mr. J. C. HEADDEN, Comptroller's Department of the National City Bank, 55 Wall Street, New York City, advised that JOHN H. REYNOLDS opened an account on September 15, 1938 with their Main Street, Flushing, Long Island Branch and deposited a thousand dollars therein. REYNOLDS gave his residence address at that time as 41-97 Parsons Boulevard, Flushing, Long Island and his business address as 825 5th Avenue, New York City. The account was a joint account for MARY L. SAXE and/or JOHN H. REYNOLDS. MARY L. SAXE was his mother and was too old to sign checks. The purpose of opening this account was to supply emergency funds for his mother while he visited Russia, and he authorized HILDA M. FARR, a nurse-companion of his mother, to sign checks on this account for her. The account was closed on October 17, 1940 and the funds were transferred to the Estate of MARY L. SAXE. The account was reopened on April 4, 1941 and closed on September 17, 1941, the reason given by subject being that Flushing was too inconvenient for him to do his banking business. The estate account of MARY L. SAXE has recently been closed because the estate has been disbursed.

According to the bank's records, JOHN REYNOLDS was the only heir to the Estate of MARY L. SAXE and the estate was estimated to be in excess of \$50,000. His family was considered one of the oldest families of the Flushing, Long Island Section of New York.

A credit report located in the bank's file disclosed that JOHN HAZARD REYNOLDS came to New York City from Albany, New York in 1906 and shortly thereafter became a member of the brokerage firm EFFINGHAM LAWRENCE & COMPANY.

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He subsequently held a membership in the New York Stock Exchange. During World War #I, REYNOLDS was in the Army and assigned to the Office of the Director of Finance, General Staff, Washington, D. C. After his discharge from the Army he was associated with BELLEVILLE SHOE COMPANY, INC. and also the GUARANTY COMPANY of New York City. He was later active in the firm of GILMAN & REYNOLDS but wound up his business affairs in 1924. He is reported to have retired in 1928 and devoted his time in managing his family affairs being the executor and sole heir of his mother's estate and managing his real estate properties in Long Island.

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RE: PETER C. RHODES

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The following matter was dictated by Special Agent Nicholas M. Kalnes and covers the period from January 22nd through January 31, 1946. (X) 4

Through the assistance of [REDACTED] it was ascertained that on January 23, 24 and 25 PETER RHODES made no contacts of importance. (X) 4 b2 b7D

From the above informant it was learned that on January 26th RHODES was contacted by CLAY (presumably CLAYMER SCHLUTER). CLAY was informed that RHODES would see BELLE BECKER on this day. On this date [REDACTED] advised that RHODES was contacted by ARTHUR ALBERT, who gave his phone number as Yonkers 3-6135. ALBERT indicated that he would contact RHODES at a later hour when he was advised by Mrs. RHODES that RHODES was not available. (X) 4 b2 b7D

[REDACTED] advised that RHODES made no contacts of importance on January 27th. (X) 4 b2 b7D

On January 28th the above informant advised that RHODES contacted a Mr. PACKER who advised RHODES that he had dictated the letter and is sending it out. (X) 4

[REDACTED] advised that on January 29th RHODES made no contacts of importance. (X) 4 b2 b7D

On January 30th [REDACTED] advised that Mrs. RHODES contacted an unknown woman at Great Neck 2174. On this same day Mrs. RHODES, speaking to a woman known as GRACE, advised that she and her family were going to Amenia on Saturday or Sunday, presumably February 2nd or 3rd, depending upon when they could get transportation. Later on this same day the above informant advised that PETER RHODES contacted BELLE BECKER and advised her that he was expecting GENE (presumably GENE WARNER), JOE EBLING (ph.), JIM VAN TONER (ph.) and others to attend a gathering at his house on the evening of January 31st. On this same day PETER RHODES contacted Miss KATHLEEN O'MALLEY in Washington, D. C. at telephone number Republic 7500, Extension 7-3525, and asked for prompt handling of the check which he has coming. (X) 4 b2 b7D

On January 31st [REDACTED] advised that RHODES was contacted by one BEN and that BEN agreed to drive RHODES and some of his (X) 4 b2 b7D

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baggage to the country tomorrow. The above informant advised that RHODES was contacted by a person named MARGARET and advised her that his address would be R.F.D., Amenia, New York, and his telephone number 193M. On this same day RHODES was contacted by one JEAN ROGERS. They discussed manuscript and a person named ALLAN LEAKES. (X) 4

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RE: PETER C. RHODES

The following matter was dictated by Special Agent Nicholas M. Kalnes and covers the period from February 1st to February 4th, 1946: (K) u b2 b7D

Through the services of [REDACTED] whose identity is known to the Bureau, it was ascertained that on February 1, 1946, PETER RHODES was contacted by a woman identifying herself as MINERVA, who advised RHODES that she was going to Washington tomorrow. RHODES gave her an address which is as follows: Apartment 212, CORDOVA APARTMENTS, corner of Florida and 20th Street, N.W. He also gave her a telephone number which was NORTH 1806. (K) u

RHODES said that he saw the individual in this apartment on the previous weekend and RHODES believed that he is in the Research and Analysis Department of the State Department. (This individual may be CLAYMORE SCHLUTER.) (K) u b2 b7D

[REDACTED] advised that on February 2, 1946 there were no contacts of importance observed by this informant. (K) u

On February 3, 1946 [REDACTED] advised that Mrs. WEIS contacted Mrs. RHODES and Mrs. RHODES advised that Mr. RHODES was up in the country and that she and the children were preparing to leave. (K) u b2 b7D

On February 4, 1946 [REDACTED] advised that no contact of importance was made on this date. (K) u b2 b7D

From Mr. J. F. PACKARD, Office Manager at Knickerbocker Village, 40 Monroe Street, New York, it was ascertained that PETER RHODES expects to be occupied during the coming three or four months with the writing of a book and that for the purpose of completing this book, he has borrowed the residence of Mr. LEWIS MUMFORD, a Dartmouth teacher, at Amenia, New York. During the time that RHODES is staying in the MUMFORD residence at Amenia, Mrs. EDITH WEIS and her daughter, ERIKA, will reside in RHODES' apartment at 40 Monroe Street. Mr. PACKARD advised that Mrs. WEIS is a sister of Mrs. MUMFORD's. RHODES is retaining one room in his apartment for his own use during the occasions that he is required to re-visit New York during the next two or three months.

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Re: PETER CHRISTOPHER RHODES

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent CARL L. BENNETT on January 24, 1946:

Mr. J. C. HEADDEN, Comptroller's Department, National City Bank, 55 Wall Street, New York City, advised that PETER CHRISTOPHER RHODES presently maintains a regular checking account at their 57th Street Branch Office. He advised that the account was opened on August 16, 1940 as a Special Checking Account #1620 at their East Midtown Branch located at 220 East 42nd Street. At that time RHODES furnished the identity of his employment as with the UNITED PRESS of the same address and he had been with them for four years on the Cable Desk. He further advised that he had been in Europe as a War Correspondent.

On April 19, 1941 the account was transferred to the 57th Street Branch of the National City Bank and at that time he increased the balance with a \$200. deposit consisting of two checks of \$100. each drawn on the UNITED CHINA RELIEF of 1790 Broadway, New York City. At the time he increased this balance he changed the Special Checking Account to a Regular Checking Account and also changed the title to include his wife, IONE RHODES. On September 13, 1941 he changed the title of the account back to his own name, deleting that of his wife.

The Credit File of this bank reflects that on November 22, 1941 PETER RHODES flew to Europe via Clipper and requested the National City Bank of New York to establish a small emergency account for him at their 11 Waterloo Place, London Branch. His London address was the CUMBERLAND HOTEL, Marble Arch, WI. He at that time stated that he was in the service of the Federal Communications Commission and engaged in foreign broadcast monitoring. His salary checks were divided so that he was able to deposit a portion of his salary in his New York account and a portion in his London account.

The bank has a residence address of 40 Monroe Street, New York City. However, it appears that subject RHODES spends each summer at RFD Troutbeck, Amania, New York.

A communication received by the bank from RHODES on August 30, 1945 disclosed that he could be reached c/o Mrs. A. SPINGARN, Troutbeck, Amania, New York and he informed the bank that he had been on leave with OWI for seven weeks and hoped to purchase a summer place at this address.

According to the bank's records, a Mr. ANDERSON and ELLINGTON also established credits with the London Branch of the National City Bank at the same time RHODES did in 1941 and accompanied RHODES to London for the OWI.

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An examination of the bank account of PETER RHODES disclosed that his balance was comparatively small and had several overdrafts. During December, 1945 there was an overdraft of \$35.53. The checks drawn on this account were numerous and small and the deposits apparently were income checks from salary and all ranged around \$100.

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RE: ALEXANDER KORAL

The following matter was dictated by Special Agent Nicholas M. Kalnes and covers the period from January 22nd through January 31st, 1945. [exu]

Through the services of [redacted] it was ascertained that ALEXANDER KORAL made no contacts of importance during the above period. (S) u b2 b7D

Through contact with SALVATORE BASILE, superintendent of the apartment house in which KORAL resides, it was ascertained that KORAL and his wife were at home during the above period all the time except for departures necessary to employment and purchases.

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RE: ROBERT TALBOT MILLER

The following matter was dictated by Special Agent NICHOLAS M. KALMES and covers the period from January 31, 1946 through February 6, 1946. (K) u

On January 31, 1946 while under surveillance of Special Agents FRANK J. NOLAN, HOWARD C. KLEBE and JOHN H. DOYLE, ROBERT TALBOT MILLER and his wife arrived in New York City at Pennsylvania Station at 11:35 P.M. and proceeded from Pennsylvania Station by taxi cab to the HOTEL LEXINGTON at 48th Street and Lexington Avenue, New York City, where he obtained quarters.

On February 1, 1946 while under surveillance of Special Agents WALTER H. NELSON and HOWARD C. KLEBE, MILLER and his wife were observed leaving the LEXINGTON HOTEL at 10:35 A.M. and proceeding to the SAVARIN COFFEE SHOP on Lexington Avenue and 50th Street, New York City, where they had breakfast.

They returned to the LEXINGTON HOTEL at 11:21 A.M. At 12:05 P.M., MILLER and his wife left the LEXINGTON HOTEL and proceeded to Madison Avenue where they window shopped until 1:40 P.M. at which time they entered the SWISS PAVILION, 38 East 50th Street, New York City, where they had lunch.

At 2:46 P.M., MILLER and his wife left the SWISS PAVILION and proceeded to 5th Avenue where they visited a number of shops, apparently on a shopping tour. At 5:15 P.M. on this day the surveillance of MILLER and his wife was discontinued.

On February 2, 1946 a surveillance of MILLER and his wife was maintained by Special Agents NELSON and KLEBE at a point near the LEXINGTON HOTEL but during the entire day MILLER was observed only once to come to the lobby of the hotel from the upper floors and on that occasion he was dressed in lounging clothes. His wife was not seen during the entire day. At 5:20 P.M. on this day surveillance of MILLER and his wife was discontinued.

On February 4, 1946 at 8:35 A.M. surveillance was taken up at a point near the LEXINGTON HOTEL by Special Agents NELSON and KLEBE. At 11:40 A.M. MILLER and his wife left the LEXINGTON HOTEL and proceeded by a taxi cab to the HOTEL CHELSEA, 226 West 23rd Street, New York City.

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They came out of the CHELSEA HOTEL at 12:24 P.M. accompanied by a woman and proceeded by cab to the LAFAYETTE RESTAURANT located at East 9th Street and University Place, New York City.

At 1:50 P.M., MILLER and his wife and the above-mentioned woman left the LAFAYETTE RESTAURANT and proceeded to the JANEWAY CERAMICS SHOP at 46 East 8th Street, New York City.

During the course of his stay at the LEXINGTON HOTEL, MILLER telephoned the number GRamercy 7-3218. This telephone number is listed to one CAROL JANEWAY who operates a ceramics shop at 46 East 8th Street, New York City and who resides at 67 West 3rd Street, New York City.

At 2:43 P.M., MILLER and his wife left 46 East 8th Street and from that time on they again embarked on a shopping tour.

At 3:30 P.M. on that day the surveillance of MILLER and his wife was discontinued.

From Mr. CLARENCE MAYHEW, Assistant Manager of the LEXINGTON HOTEL, it was ascertained that MILLER and his wife checked out of the LEXINGTON at 1:25 P.M. on Wednesday, February 6, 1946, leaving no forwarding address. Mr. MAYHEW also advised that reservations had been made for MILLER at the LEXINGTON HOTEL by one JACK GOLD who is connected with JAMES GRAY, INC., 216 East 45th Street, New York City.

Mr. MAYHEW provided the tollcall slips for the telephone calls made by MILLER during his stay in the LEXINGTON HOTEL and they are as follows:

WI 2-5900

BARCLAY HOTEL,
111 East 48th Street, New York

GR 7-3218

CAROL JANEWAY, 46 East 8th Street,
New York. - Residence 67 West 3rd
Street, New York

RE 4-6681

DAVID HOWLAND,
244 East 86th Street, New York

LE 2-1829

ANN ROSENER, 108 East 30th
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FL 9-0680

Mrs. WILLIAM HENRY WALKER,
144-85 Sanford Avenue,
Flushing, Long Island.

MU 2-9000

JAMES GRAY, INC.,
216 East 45th Street, New York

AS 4-1525

FOUR CONTINENT BOOK CORPORATION,
253 5th Avenue, New York

MU 2-8824

SONG LYRICS, INC.,
1 East 42nd Street, New York

CI 7-2160

WILLIAM MORRIS AGENCY, INC.
1270 6th Avenue, New York

CI 7-3600

Disconnected for CONSOLIDATED
EDISON, 212 West 57th Street,
New York

LO 5-9524

SAMUEL GRUBER, INC.,
491 7th Avenue, New York

MU 2-5900

BROOKS & KUPPLIAS, 220 East 42nd
Street, New York

BR 9-9000

SULLIVAN & TYSON,
1531 Broadway, New York

WI 2-5900

HOTEL BARCLAY,
111 East 48th Street, New York

RE 4-4444

DICK SHELTON,
240 East 62nd Street, New York

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RE: DR. ABRAHAM B. WEINSTEIN

The following information with regard to the activities and associates of DR. ABRAHAM B. WEINSTEIN were ascertained by [REDACTED] *(S) X C u*

On January 22, 1946, a MRS. MAY FRYE whose husband is PETER FRYE who is connected with show business on Broadway, N.Y. and in Hollywood, California, contacted DR. WEINSTEIN and made an appointment with him for February 3, 1946, to go to his home in Stamford, Connecticut, in order to read the recent play written by DR. WEINSTEIN'S brother MORRIS WEINSTEIN. *b2 b7D*

On January 24, 1946, MITCHELL MAYFAIR the Hollywood actress, contacted the office of Dr. Weinstein and made an appointment for herself for 12:30 p.m. on January 25, 1946, to have her teeth checked. *(S) X C u*

On January 25, 1946, DONALD WEST who has been described as an associate of CEDRIC BELFRAGE, subject of this investigation, and who himself, is the subject of a Bureau Internal Security-C investigation, was at the office of Dr. Abraham B. Weinstein and while at the office contacted the editor of the NEW AMSTERDAM NEWS, a newspaper published in the Harlem Section of New York City. At the time DONALD WEST contacted the editor of this newspaper he told the editor that he thought his editorial with regard to the play "STRANGE FRUIT" was excellent. From his conversation it was apparent that DONALD WEST did not approve of this play. DONALD WEST in any event, made an appointment to talk to the editor again at 3 p.m. on January 26, 1946. *(S) X C u*

On January 28, 1946, DONALD WEST again contacted the office of Dr. Weinstein and made an appointment to be at the office of Dr. Weinstein at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 31, 1946. *(S) X C u*

On January 29, 1946, MRS. IONE RHODES contacted her husband PETER RHODES a subject of this investigation. At the time this contact was made MRS. IONE RHODES was at the office of Dr. Weinstein. *(S) X C u*

On January 29, 1946, RAY ELSON, subject of this investigation contacted BETTY HEART, secretary to Dr. Weinstein, and made an appointment for herself and her husband JOSEPH ELSON for February 7, 1946, at 2:30 p.m. *(S) X C u*

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On January 30, 1946, GREGORY BAUTZER, a Hollywood attorney, contacted the office of DR. ABRAHAM B. WEINSTEIN and advised Dr. Weinstein that he was coming to New York in February 1946, and that he wanted to see the doctor concerning treatment, at that time. (X) X Qu

On February 1, 1946, a girl named ROSE (last name unknown) an employee of DR. WEINSTEIN'S contacted the home of Dr. Weinstein in Stamford, Conn., and advised that GREGG had left without signing the checks. [redacted], who was in a position to ascertain the full details, advised that it was indicated from the conversation that JOSEPH GREGG had been at the office of Dr. Weinstein on that date. It was also indicated at that time that JOSEPH GREGG would again be back at the office of Dr. Weinstein in New York in two weeks. (X) X Qu b2 b7D

On February 2, 1946, a MR. FABRICIO (ph) contacted the office of DR. WEINSTEIN and advised that he wished to speak to the doctor. Dr. Weinstein was not at his office at that time and MR. FABRICIO stated that he comes into town from Washington for week-ends and would like to see the doctor very much. No contact was made at that time between Dr. Weinstein and Mr. FABRICIO. (X) X Qu

On February 4, 1946, ANNA LOUISE STRONG, the subject of an Internal Security-R investigation who has recently returned to the United States after an extended visit to Moscow, Russia, was at the office of DR. WEINSTEIN. A physical surveillance was conducted at that time by Agent Brewer Wilson and it was noted that ANNA LOUISE STRONG spent approximately 1½ hours at the office of Dr. Weinstein on the afternoon of February 4, 1946.

On February 5, 1946, ANNA LOUISE STRONG was again at the office of DR. ABRAHAM B. WEINSTEIN and there remained most of the morning. While at the office of Dr. Weinstein she contacted a MR. LEN DECAUX, with the CIO Office in Washington, D.C. She told Mr. DECAUX at that time that she would come to see him tomorrow if he thought the CIO news could use her material. Mr. Decaux said yes, and he wanted her to meet some other people around the CIO. MRS. STRONG advised DECAUX that she would leave for Washington, D.C. on the 11:30 p.m. train on February 6, 1946. She also told Mr. DECAUX that she was going to the West Coast and from there to China and eventually back to Russia. (X) X Qu

On February 5, 1946, BETTY HEART, secretary to Dr. A. B. Weinstein, contacted BARNEY JOSEPHSON, subject of an Internal Security-R investigation, and made an appointment for him to come in for dental work on February 11, 1946. This appointment was made for the office of DR. A. B. WEINSTEIN at 20 E. 53rd St. New York City. (X) X Qu

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